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THE MAN WHO LOST HIMSELF!

CHARLEY SIMS WAS A WRITER LIVING A LONELY, QUIET LIFE! THEN ONE DAY HE WENT DOWN TO THE CELLAR OF HIS ROOMING HOUSE TO SEARCH IN HIS TRUNK FOR SOME OLD MAGAZINES! HE OPENED THE CELLAR DOOR AND STEPPED THROUGH...

A STRANGE JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY!

WHAT IS THIS? THIS ISN'T THE CELLAR!

LAST TIME I WAS DOWN HERE WAS ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO! IT WAS JUST A DAMP OLD CELLAR THEN! NOW... THIS! WHAT IS IT? HOW DID IT GET HERE?

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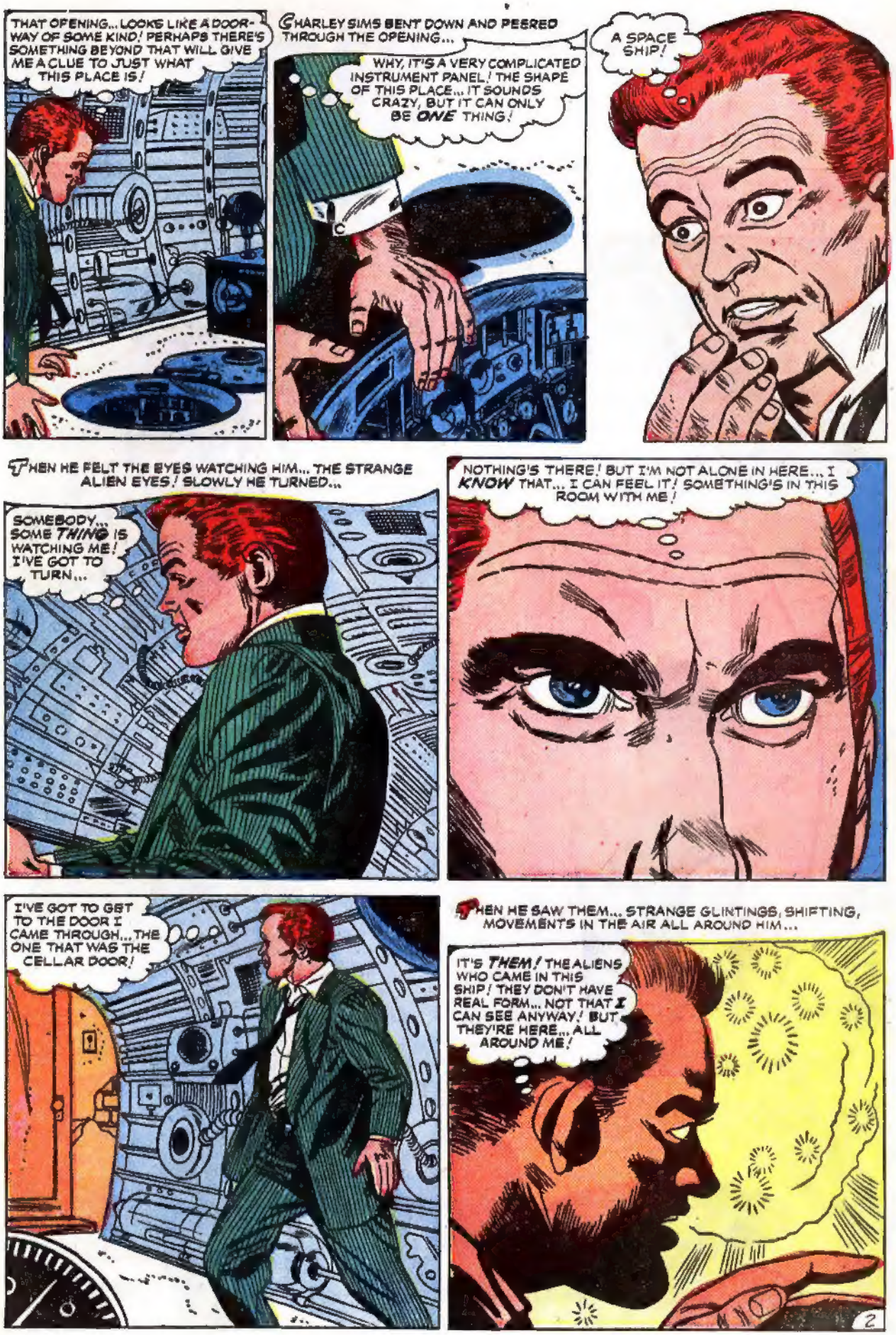
THAT OPENING... LOOKS LIKE A DOORWAY OF SOME KIND! PERHAPS THERE'S SOMETHING BEYOND THAT WILL GIVE ME A CLUE TO JUST WHAT THIS PLACE IS!
CHARLEY SIMS BENT DOWN AND PEERED THROUGH THE OPENING...
WHY, IT'S A VERY COMPLICATED INSTRUMENT PANEL! THE SHAPE OF THIS PLACE... IT SOUNDS CRAZY, BUT IT CAN ONLY BE ONE THING!
A SPACE SHIP!
THEN HE FELT THE EYES WATCHING HIM... THE STRANGE ALIEN EYES! SLOWLY HE TURNED...
SOMEBODY... SOME THING IS WATCHING ME! I'VE GOT TO TURN...
NOTHING'S THERE! BUT I'M NOT ALONE IN HERE... I KNOW THAT... I CAN FEEL IT! SOMETHING'S IN THIS ROOM WITH ME!
I'VE GOT TO GET TO THE DOOR I CAME THROUGH... THE ONE THAT WAS THE CELLAR DOOR!
THEN HE SAW THEM... STRANGE GLINTINGS, SHIFTING, MOVEMENTS IN THE AIR ALL AROUND HIM...
IT'S THEM! THE ALIENS WHO CAME IN THIS SHIP! THEY DON'T HAVE REAL FORM... NOT THAT I CAN SEE ANYWAY! BUT THEY'RE HERE... ALL AROUND ME!
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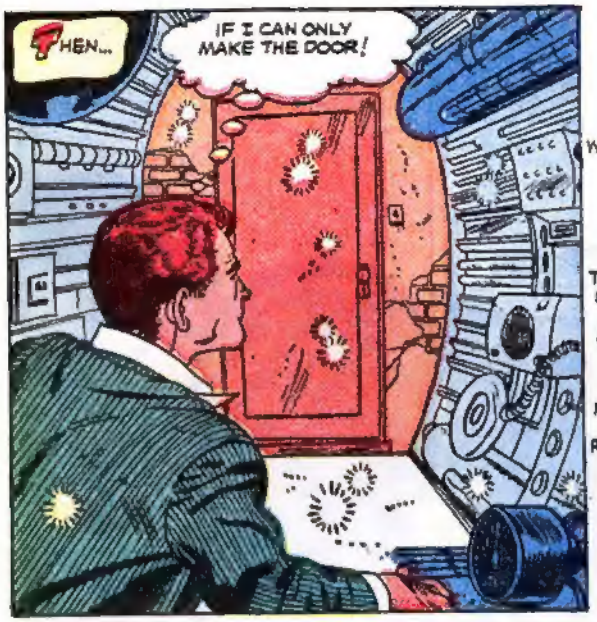
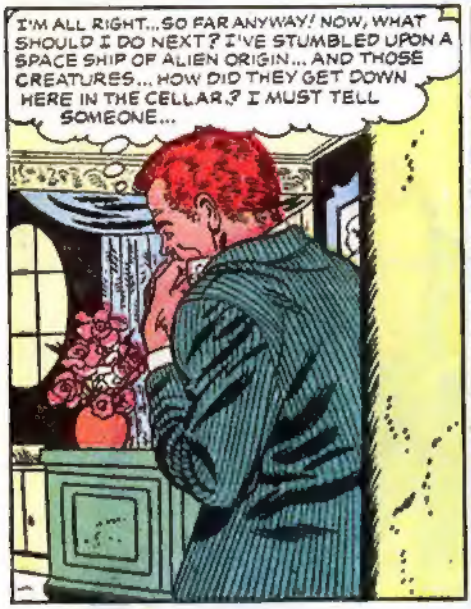
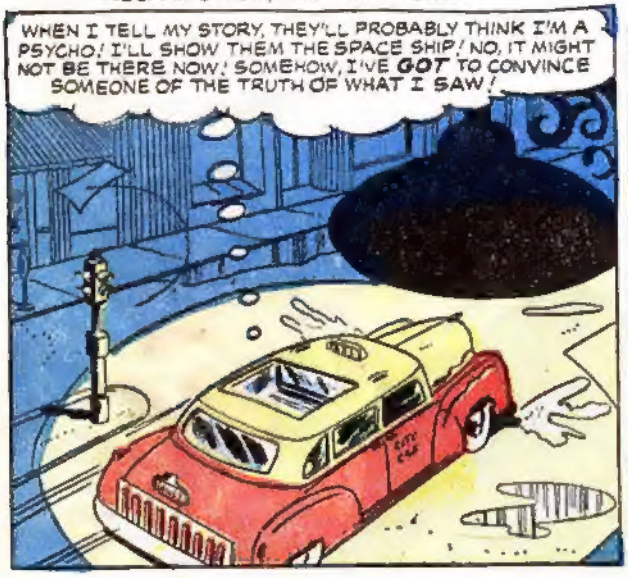


HE WRENCHED THE DOOR OPEN! THEN HE WAS THROUGH, LEANING BACK AGAINST THE DOOR, IN FAMILIAR SURROUNDINGS AGAIN...

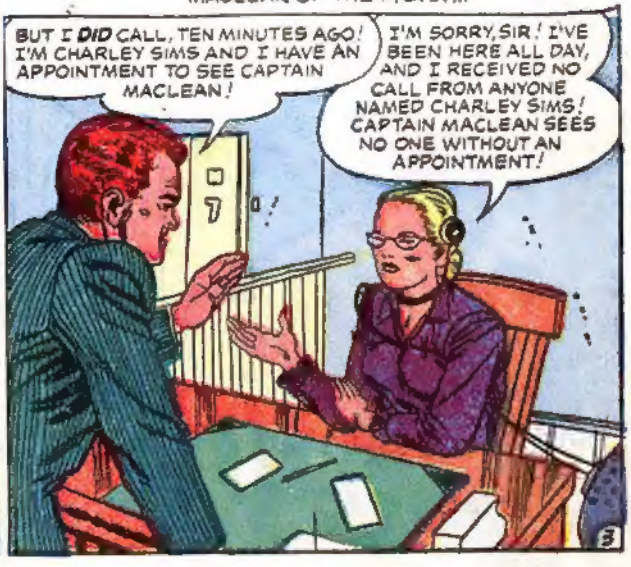

I'M ALL RIGHT...SO FAR ANYWAY! NOW, WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT? I'VE STUMBLED UPON A SPACE SHIP OF ALIEN ORIGIN... AND THOSE CREATURES... HOW DID THEY GET DOWN HERE IN THE CELLAR? I MUST TELL SOMEONE...

YES...CHARLEY SIMS! I HAVE SOMETHING OF VITAL IMPORTANCE THAT CAN'T WAIT! CAPTAIN MACLEAN? ALL RIGHT, I'LL BE RIGHT DOWN TO SEE HIM!

HE HAILED A TAXI OUTSIDE! HE SANK BACK IN THE SEAT, RELAXING A BIT, AND THINKING...


WHEN I TELL MY STORY, THEY'LL PROBABLY THINK I'M A PSYCHO! I'LL SHOW THEM THE SPACE SHIP! NO, IT MIGHT NOT BE THERE NOW! SOMEHOW, I'VE GOT TO CONVINCE SOMEONE OF THE TRUTH OF WHAT I SAW!

BUT CHARLEY NEEDN'T HAVE WORRIED ABOUT THE IMPRESSION HIS STORY WOULD MAKE ON CAPTAIN MACLEAN OF THE F.B.I...


BUT I DID CALL, TEN MINUTES AGO! I'M CHARLEY SIMS AND I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE CAPTAIN MACLEAN!
I'M SORRY, SIR! I'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY, AND I RECEIVED NO CALL FROM ANYONE NAMED CHARLEY SIMS! CAPTAIN MACLEAN SEES NO ONE WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT!
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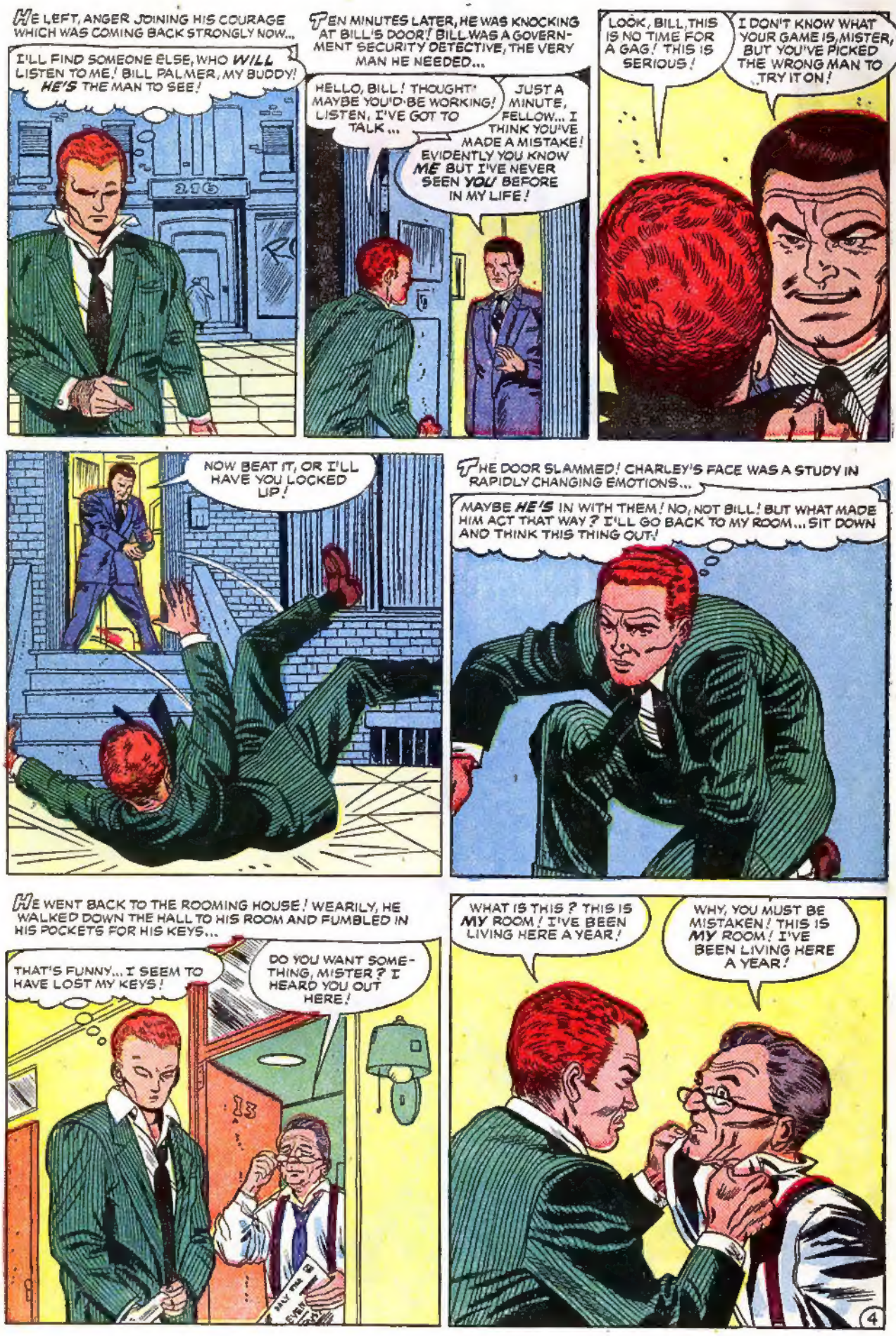
He left, anger joining his courage which was coming back strongly now...
I'll find someone else, who WILL listen to me! Bill Palmer, my buddy! He's the man to see!
Ten minutes later, he was knocking at Bill's door! Bill was a government security detective, the very man he needed...
Hello, Bill! Thought maybe you'd be working! Listen, I've got to talk...
Just a minute, fellow... I think you've made a mistake! Evidently you know ME but I've never seen YOU before in my life!
Look, Bill, this is no time for a gag! This is serious!
I don't know what your game is, mister, but you've picked the wrong man to try it on!
Now beat it, or I'll have you locked up!
The door slammed! Charley's face was a study in rapidly changing emotions...
Maybe HE'S in with them! No, not Bill! But what made him act that way? I'll go back to my room... sit down and think this thing out!
He went back to the rooming house! Wearily, he walked down the hall to his room and fumbled in his pockets for his keys...
That's funny... I seem to have lost my keys!
Do you want something, mister? I heard you out here!
What is this? This is MY room! I've been living here a year!
Why, you must be mistaken! This is MY room! I've been living here a year!
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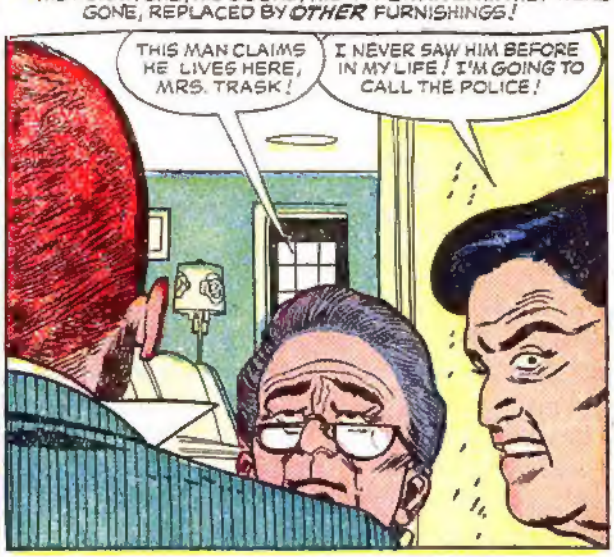
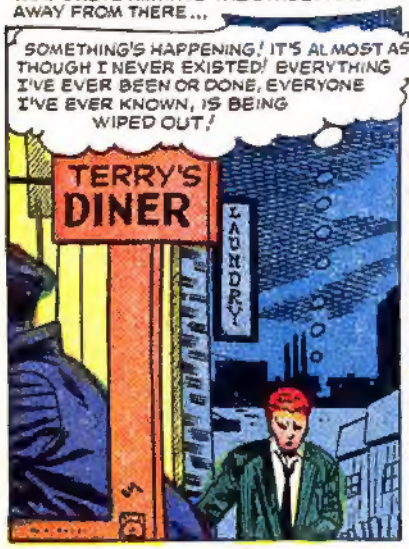
ANGER BOILED UP IN CHARLEY! THEN HE HEARD THE VOICE OF HIS LANDLADY, MRS. TRASK...

HE LOOKED INTO THE ROOM OVER THE STRANGER'S SHOULDER! HIS FURNITURE, HIS BOOKS, HIS TYPEWRITER... THEY WERE GONE, REPLACED BY *OTHER* FURNISHINGS!

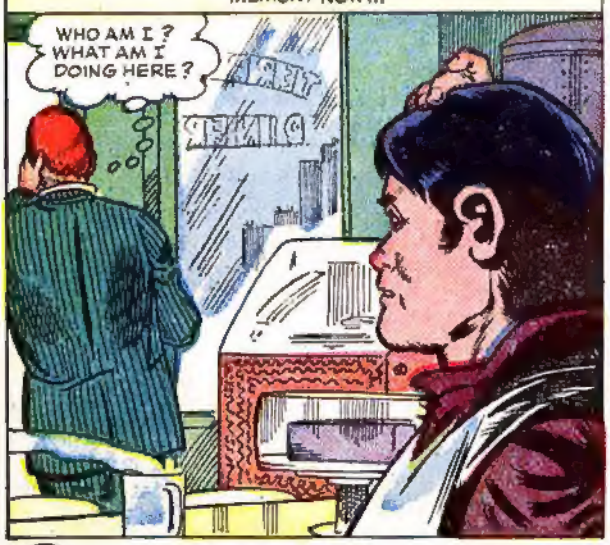


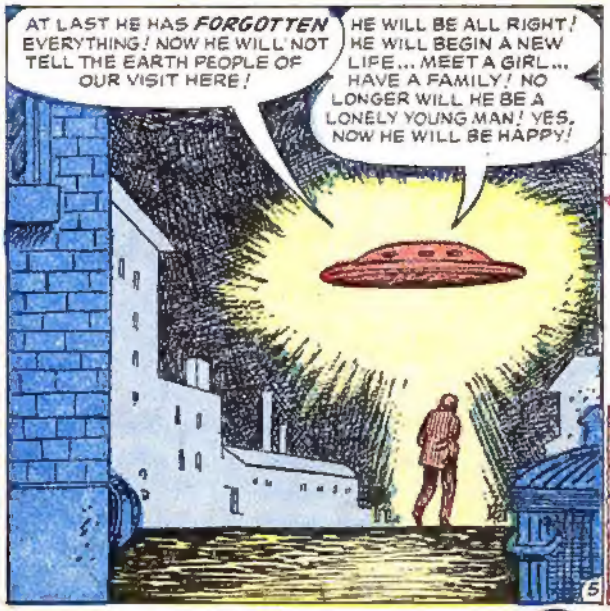
BEWILDERMENT CAME TO CHARLEY THEN, THAT DROVE HIM INTO THE STREET AND AWAY FROM THERE...


SOMETHING'S HAPPENING! IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH I NEVER EXISTED! EVERYTHING I'VE EVER BEEN OR DONE, EVERYONE I'VE EVER KNOWN, IS BEING WIPED OUT!
TERRY'S DINER
LAUNDRY

HE SAW THE DINER! HE WENT IN! HE HAD TO CALM DOWN... IT WAS THE ONLY WAY HE COULD FIGHT THIS THING THAT WAS HAPPENING TO HIM...

AND SO THE TRANSFORMATION WAS COMPLETE! THIS WAS THE FINAL STEP... HE HAD LOST EVERYTHING... INCLUDING HIS MEMORY NOW...




AT LAST HE HAS *FORGOTTEN* EVERYTHING! NOW HE WILL NOT TELL THE EARTH PEOPLE OF OUR VISIT HERE!
HE WILL BE ALL RIGHT! HE WILL BEGIN A NEW LIFE... MEET A GIRL... HAVE A FAMILY! NO LONGER WILL HE BE A LONELY YOUNG MAN! YES, NOW HE WILL BE HAPPY!
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THE END

ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN UNUSUAL STORIES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER ATLAS

MAKE A WISH

IT was Gerald Harper's intention to take his discovery to the patent office and protect himself with a patent, and that's exactly what he started out to do. "I'm going to have to get this registered in my name right away, because when people find out about it, everybody will want to copy it."

He gathered up all the parts to the machine, put them carefully in an old suitcase and put all his documents and descriptions in on top of them. He took the suitcase to the bus stop, and when the bus came, Gerald Harper got in. By the time he had payed his fare, found a seat, and settled down, he never realized that in his eagerness, he had left the suitcase on the street directly in front of the bus stop sign.

About three minutes after Gerald had boarded the bus without his suitcase, Jimmy Gordon walked by on his way to the store for his mother. The black suitcase stood directly in his path and naturally there was no one standing anywhere near it to establish its ownership. Jimmy walked over to the bag and lifted it carefully. "I'll just take it home and see what's in it," he thought. "Maybe there'll be something inside to tell who it belongs to."

When Jimmy got home, he put the suitcase on the table and quickly called his mother. "Hey, mother, come here. Look what I found on my way to the store." As his mother burst through the kitchen door, Jimmy carefully opened the cover of the case and there before his eyes were all the documents. He picked up the papers, and there was the intricate machinery. Nuts, bolts, fly wheels, gears and cogs were all fit into an ingenious pattern which obviously was something important, but what? Jimmy certainly didn't know . . . and neither did his mother.

"Well," his mother finally said, "let's keep it until your father comes home tonight. Maybe he will know something about it. In the meantime, give me the loaf of bread I sent you for and I'll start dinner."

"But, Mom," Jimmy explained carefully, "I didn't ever get to the store. I found this suitcase on the way there and brought it right home."

"Oh dear, I wish you'd gotten the bread," his mother said. "I need it to . . ." and there, right before them on the table was the loaf of bread that she had wished for.

"Wh-where did *that* come from?" Jimmy asked.

"I don't know. I just wished and there it was."

"*That's* what it is, mother," Jimmy shouted. "We should have known it was something strange like this. It's a *wishing machine!*"

"How on earth could it be a wishing machine?" Mrs. Gordon asked.

"I don't know, but I'll bet every time we make a wish, this machine will fulfill it. Make another wish to test it out again."

"Well, I just don't know," his mother hesitated. "We do need a new refrigerator and . . ."

Jimmy interrupted quickly with, "I wish we had a new refrigerator!"

The two of them stood there quietly for a while and then Jimmy whispered, "Quick, mother. Let's go into the kitchen and see."

One look into the kitchen confirmed Jimmy's theory. There in the corner stood a brand-new refrigerator. Exactly where the old one had been. Mrs. Gordon ran to it eagerly and opened the door.

"But it's empty!" she said disconsolately.

"Of course it's empty," Jimmy replied proudly. "You didn't wish for the food, you just wished for a new refrigerator!"

"But the roast for dinner . . ." Mrs. Gordon moaned. "And the chops for tomorrow night, and . . ."

"Don't you see, mother, we can wish for more," he son explained. "We'll just have to be a little careful about how we wish, that's all."

"No, no more wishing," his mother told him sternly. "I don't trust that thing at all. And until your father comes home, we'll just close it up and put it away in the closet." And nothing Jimmy could say would dissuade her.

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HERE'S HOW TO REDUCE AND STAY SLIM!

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AMAZING DISCOVERY OF SCIENCE!

The Kelpidine Candy plan is the result of scientific research for years for a new discovery for something that will stop your craving for fattening food and also satisfy your appetite. This delicious candy does not turn into ugly fat, it gives you the *same* feeling of fullness you have *after* you have eaten a satisfying meal. It kills your desire to overeat—it kills your craving for bedtime snacks and for in-between meal snacks. It's so safe even a child can take it without bad effects. With Kelpidine Candy all you taste is its deliciousness—you can't tell the difference!

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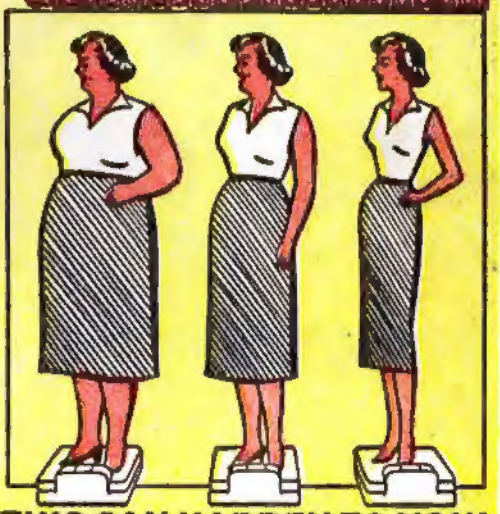

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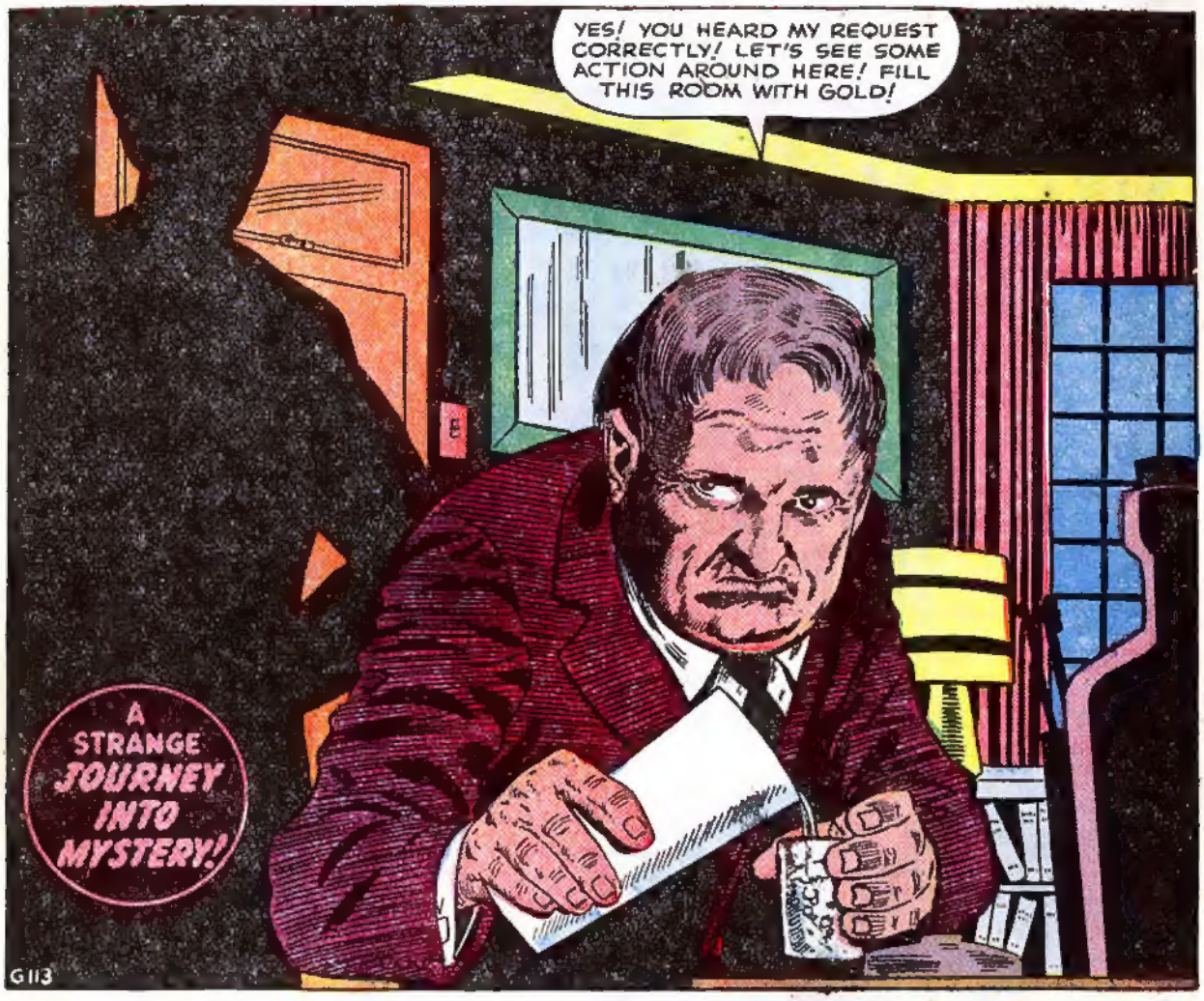
YES! YOU HEARD MY REQUEST CORRECTLY! LET'S SEE SOME ACTION AROUND HERE! FILL THIS ROOM WITH GOLD!
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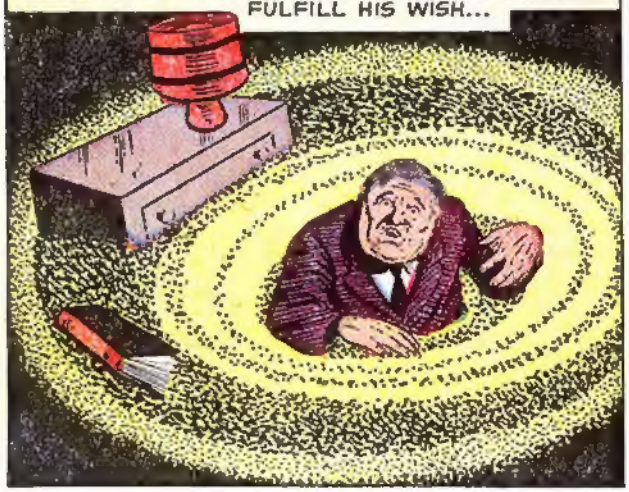
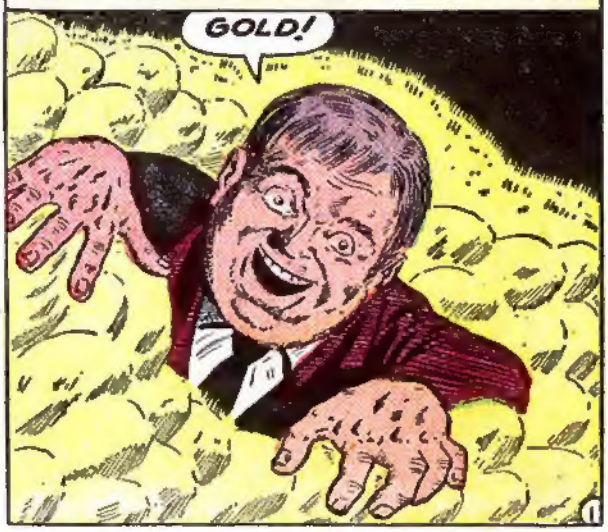
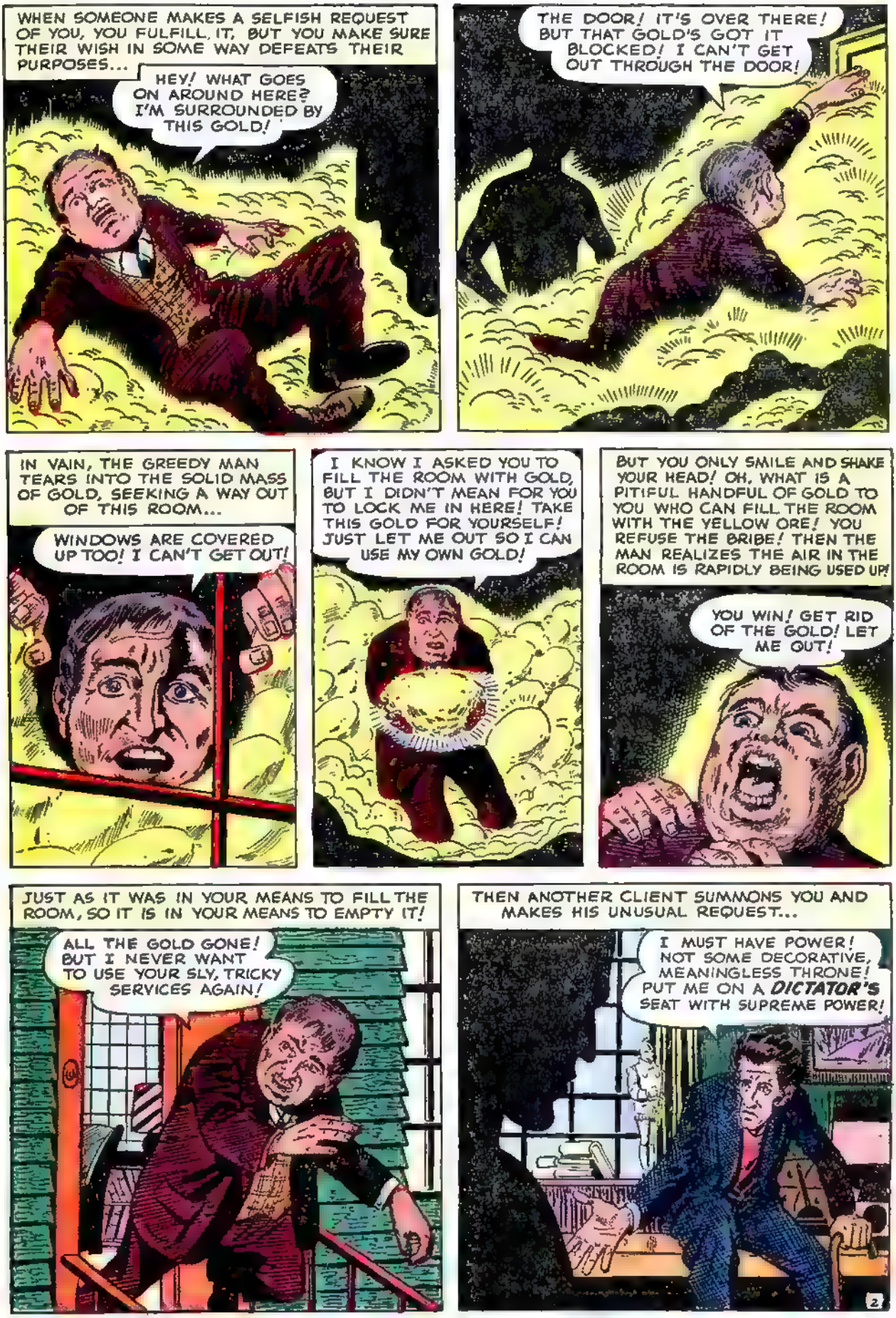
YOU ARE IN THE SERVICE BUSINESS AND YOU SPECIALIZE IN SATISFYING UNUSUAL REQUESTS, SO WHEN THE GREEDY LITTLE MAN RUBS HIS HANDS IN EAGER ANTICIPATION OF UNTOLD WEALTH, YOU NOD YOUR HEAD AND BEGIN TO FULFILL HIS WISH...



IN A FLASH, THE ASTOUNDED MAN GAPES INCREDULOUSLY ABOUT HIMSELF, MUTTERING WITH PLEASURE ONE WORD OF AMAZEMENT...




WHEN SOMEONE MAKES A SELFISH REQUEST OF YOU, YOU FULFILL IT, BUT YOU MAKE SURE THEIR WISH IN SOME WAY DEFEATS THEIR PURPOSES...
HEY! WHAT GOES ON AROUND HERE? I'M SURROUNDED BY THIS GOLD!
THE DOOR! IT'S OVER THERE! BUT THAT GOLD'S GOT IT BLOCKED! I CAN'T GET OUT THROUGH THE DOOR!
IN VAIN, THE GREEDY MAN TEARS INTO THE SOLID MASS OF GOLD, SEEKING A WAY OUT OF THIS ROOM...
WINDOWS ARE COVERED UP TOO! I CAN'T GET OUT!
I KNOW I ASKED YOU TO FILL THE ROOM WITH GOLD, BUT I DIDN'T MEAN FOR YOU TO LOCK ME IN HERE! TAKE THIS GOLD FOR YOURSELF! JUST LET ME OUT SO I CAN USE MY OWN GOLD!
BUT YOU ONLY SMILE AND SHAKE YOUR HEAD! OH, WHAT IS A PITIFUL HANDFUL OF GOLD TO YOU WHO CAN FILL THE ROOM WITH THE YELLOW ORE! YOU REFUSE THE BRIBE! THEN THE MAN REALIZES THE AIR IN THE ROOM IS RAPIDLY BEING USED UP!
YOU WIN! GET RID OF THE GOLD! LET ME OUT!
JUST AS IT WAS IN YOUR MEANS TO FILL THE ROOM, SO IT IS IN YOUR MEANS TO EMPTY IT!
ALL THE GOLD GONE! BUT I NEVER WANT TO USE YOUR SLY, TRICKY SERVICES AGAIN!
THEN ANOTHER CLIENT SUMMONS YOU AND MAKES HIS UNUSUAL REQUEST...
I MUST HAVE POWER! NOT SOME DECORATIVE, MEANINGLESS THRONE! PUT ME ON A DICTATOR'S SEAT WITH SUPREME POWER!
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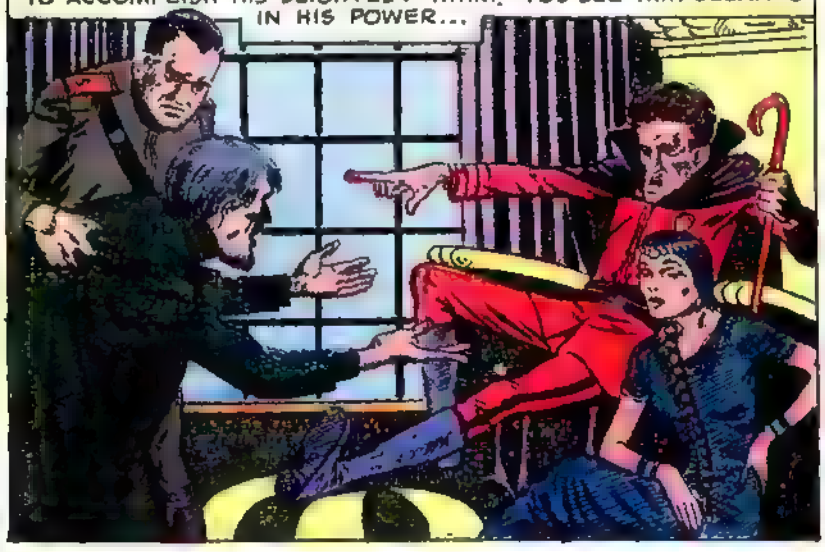
ANOTHER SELFISH REQUEST! BUT STILL YOU MUST SATISFY THE CLIENT...

AND SUDDENLY, THE POWER-SEEKER FINDS HIMSELF ON A DICTATOR'S SEAT, THE LIFE OF ALL HIS PEOPLE AT HIS COMMAND...

SECRETARIES, MINISTERS, FAWNING FLATTERERS ALL RUSH TO ACCOMPLISH HIS SLIGHTEST WHIM! YOU SEE HIM GLOATING IN HIS POWER...



BUT CORRUPT POWER AND INJUSTICE SOON PRODUCE BRAVE MEN, READY TO RISK THEIR LIVES TO HELP THEIR FELLOW MEN...

AND DESPITE ALL PROTECTIVE MEASURES, TIME AND AGAIN, ASSASSINS' BULLETS STRIKE CLOSE TO THE POWER-MAD MAN...

YOU SMILE INWARDLY! YOU GRANTED THE MAN'S ORIGINAL REQUEST, BUT AGAIN, YOU MADE A SELFISH PURPOSE DEFEAT ITSELF! THE DICTATOR'S SEAT IS VACATED AND THE MAN WILL TROUBLE YOUR SERVICE BUREAU NO MORE...

NEXT YOU ARE SUMMONED BY A SMALL BOY! BUT HIS REQUEST SEEMS VERY SIMPLE...

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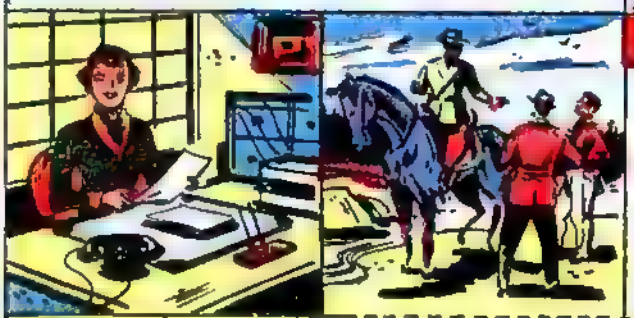

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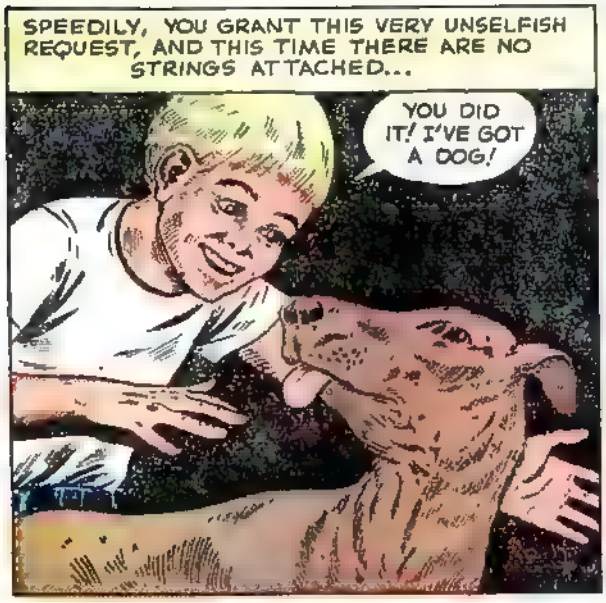
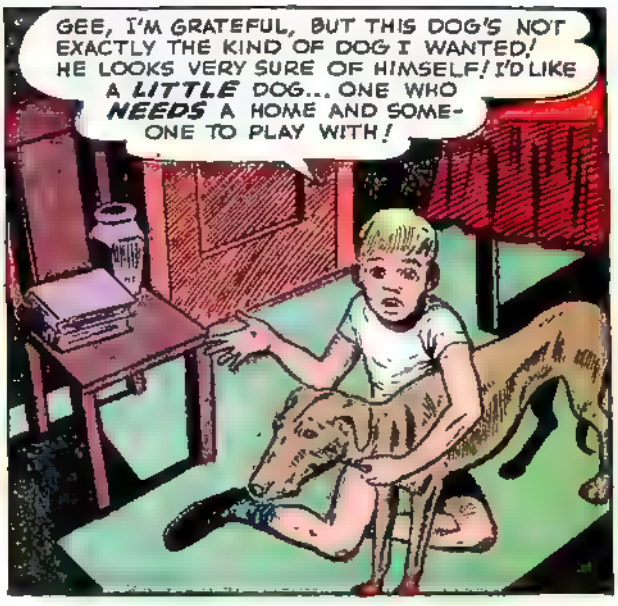
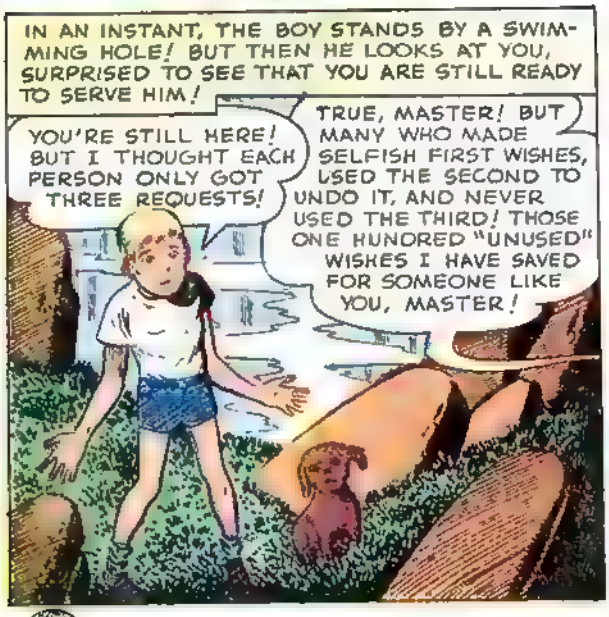


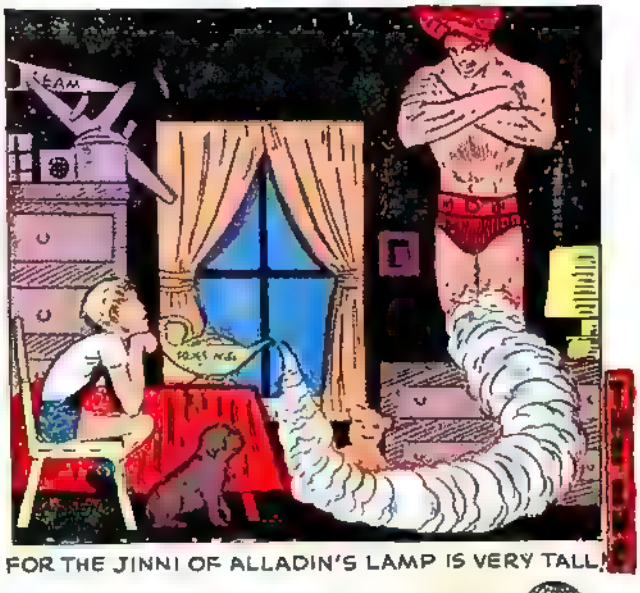

GEE, I'M GRATEFUL, BUT THIS DOG'S NOT EXACTLY THE KIND OF DOG I WANTED! HE LOOKS VERY SURE OF HIMSELF! I'D LIKE A LITTLE DOG... ONE WHO NEEDS A HOME AND SOMEONE TO PLAY WITH!

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ALL THE YEARS OF YOUR SERVICE, SOMEONE HAS ASKED FOR LESS THAN YOU ORIGINALLY GAVE HIM...
PERFECT! HE'S JUST THE SORT OF DOG I HAD IN MIND! LOOK AT HIS TAIL WAG! HE'S REALLY HAPPY TO SEE ME!

AND SINCE THE WISH WAS UNSELFISH THERE ARE NO COMPLICATIONS TO MAKE THE REQUESTER CHANGE HIS MIND...
NOW I'D LIKE A LOT OF TOYS... ENOUGH FOR ME TO SHARE WITH THE KIDS IN MY CLASS!

AGAIN, HIS UNSELFISH REQUEST IS QUICKLY MET...
WAIT TILL THE GANG SEES THIS! AND NOW, JUST ONE LAST THING! WE'D ALL LIKE A SWIMMING HOLE! OUR LAST ONE DRIED UP!


IN AN INSTANT, THE BOY STANDS BY A SWIMMING HOLE! BUT THEN HE LOOKS AT YOU, SURPRISED TO SEE THAT YOU ARE STILL READY TO SERVE HIM!
YOU'RE STILL HERE! BUT I THOUGHT EACH PERSON ONLY GOT THREE REQUESTS!
TRUE, MASTER! BUT MANY WHO MADE SELFISH FIRST WISHES, USED THE SECOND TO UNDO IT, AND NEVER USED THE THIRD! THOSE ONE HUNDRED "UNUSED" WISHES I HAVE SAVED FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU, MASTER!



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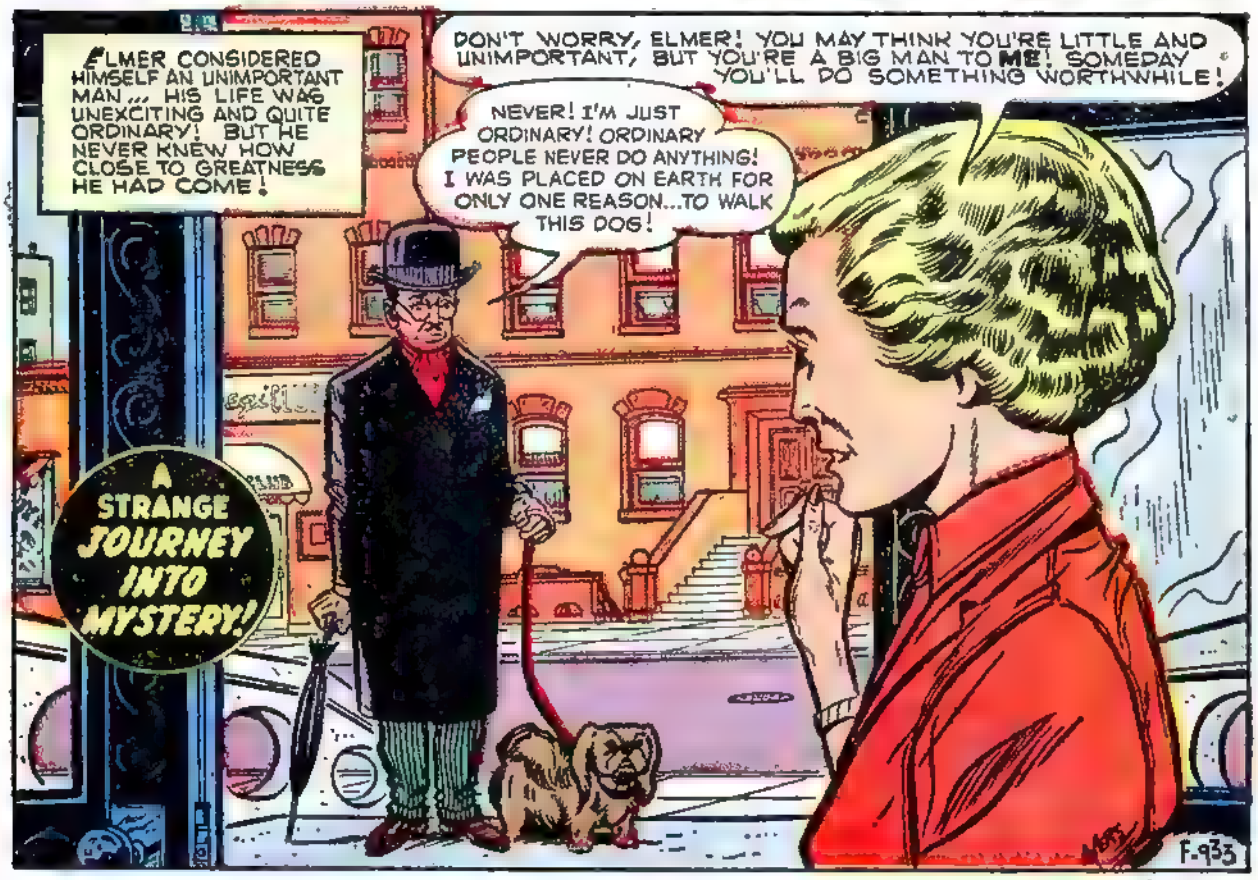
THE LITTLE MAN!


ELMER CONSIDERED HIMSELF AN UNIMPORTANT MAN ... HIS LIFE WAS UNEXCITING AND QUITE ORDINARY! BUT HE NEVER KNEW HOW CLOSE TO GREATNESS HE HAD COME!
A STRANGE JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY!
DON'T WORRY, ELMER! YOU MAY THINK YOU'RE LITTLE AND UNIMPORTANT, BUT YOU'RE A BIG MAN TO ME! SOMEDAY YOU'LL DO SOMETHING WORTHWHILE!
NEVER! I'M JUST ORDINARY! ORDINARY PEOPLE NEVER DO ANYTHING! I WAS PLACED ON EARTH FOR ONLY ONE REASON...TO WALK THIS DOG!
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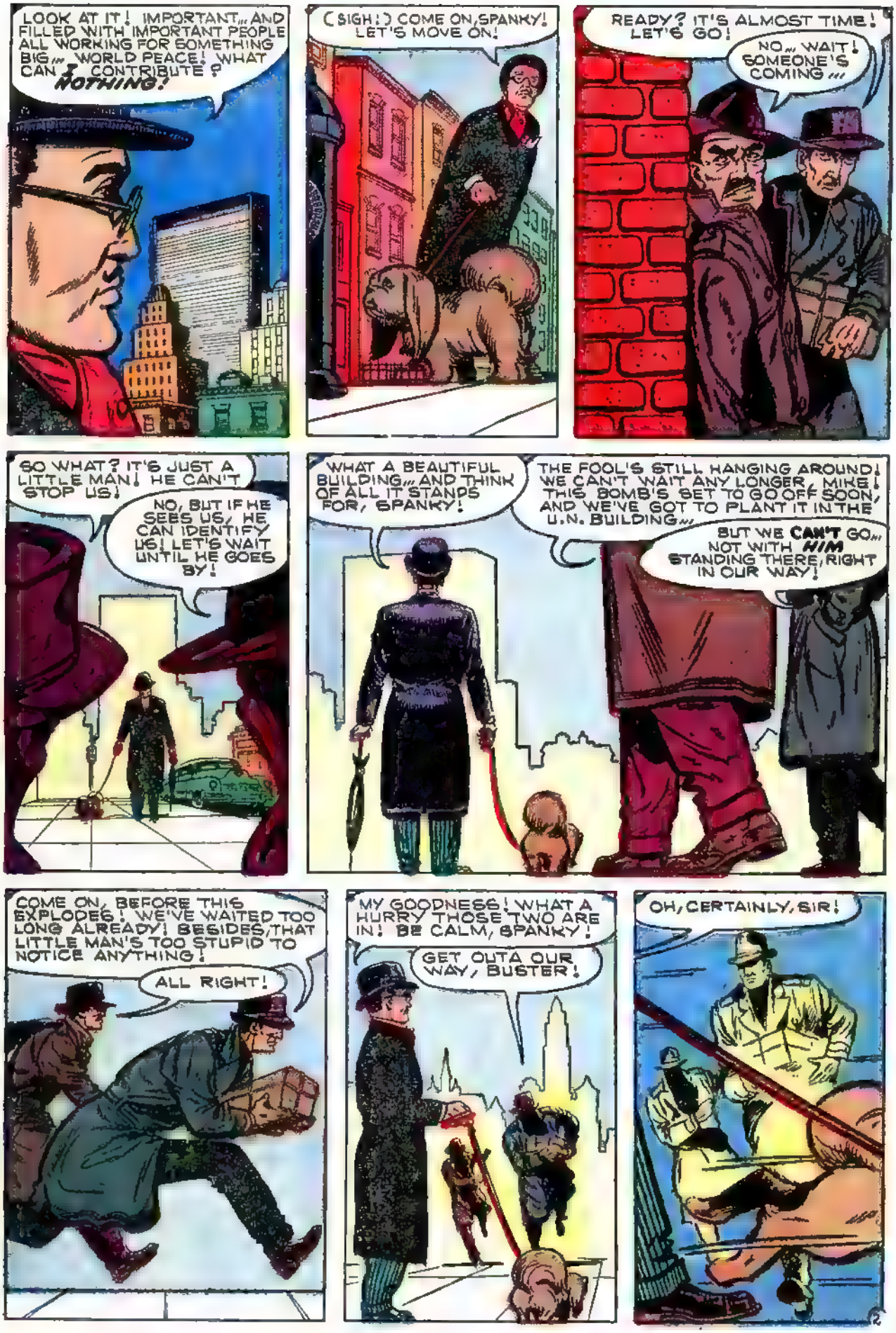
BE CAREFUL CROSSING THE STREETS, ELMER, AND REMEMBER, WE'RE ALL HERE FOR SOME GOOD REASON, WHETHER WE KNOW IT OR NOT!
THANK YOU FOR TRYING TO CHEER ME UP, DEAR, BUT IT'S NO USE! I'M NOTHING BUT A LITTLE MAN!

AND SO, LIKE THOUSANDS OF OTHER LITTLE MEN LIKE HIMSELF, ELMER SHAW STARTED HIS USUAL DAY BY TAKING HIS DOG FOR A WALK! JUST HIS USUAL JOURNEY IN HIS USUAL WAY ...
TRIVIAL! UNIMPORTANT! I SO WISH I COULD DO SOMETHING MASSIVE! BIG! LIKE THE U.N. BUILDING OVER THERE!


LOOK AT IT! IMPORTANT... AND FILLED WITH IMPORTANT PEOPLE ALL WORKING FOR SOMETHING BIG... WORLD PEACE! WHAT CAN I CONTRIBUTE? NOTHING!
(SIGH!) COME ON, SPANKY! LET'S MOVE ON!
READY? IT'S ALMOST TIME! LET'S GO!
NO... WAIT! SOMEONE'S COMING...
SO WHAT? IT'S JUST A LITTLE MAN! HE CAN'T STOP US!
NO, BUT IF HE SEES US, HE CAN IDENTIFY US! LET'S WAIT UNTIL HE GOES BY!
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL BUILDING... AND THINK OF ALL IT STANDS FOR, SPANKY!
THE FOOL'S STILL HANGING AROUND! WE CAN'T WAIT ANY LONGER, MIKE! THIS BOMB'S SET TO GO OFF SOON, AND WE'VE GOT TO PLANT IT IN THE U.N. BUILDING...
BUT WE CAN'T GO... NOT WITH HIM STANDING THERE, RIGHT IN OUR WAY!
COME ON, BEFORE THIS EXPLODES! WE'VE WAITED TOO LONG ALREADY! BESIDES, THAT LITTLE MAN'S TOO STUPID TO NOTICE ANYTHING!
ALL RIGHT!
MY GOODNESS! WHAT A HURRY THOSE TWO ARE IN! BE CALM, SPANKY!
GET OUTA OUR WAY, BUSTER!
OH, CERTAINLY, SIR!

OH, DEAR! I'M TERRIBLY SORRY, GENTLEMEN!
HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON THERE?
THE POLICE!
OH, MY! WE'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE, SPANKY! I FORGOT TO GET YOUR LICENSE!
WHEW! THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE! YOU SEE, SPANKY? THAT'S THE SORT OF THING THAT HAPPENS TO ME! NEVER ANYTHING WORTH-WHILE!
JUST A MINUTE, YOU GUYS!
WHAT'LL WE DO? THIS BOMB'S GOING OFF ANY SECOND!
HEAD FOR THE RIVER AND DUMP IT IN — QUICK!
EVERYTHING RUINED — AND ALL ON ACCOUNT OF THAT LITTLE MAN!
SHUT UP AND RUN!
HURRY! THROW IT IN!
HOLD IT UP! WHAT HAVE YOU GOT THERE?
A BOMB!
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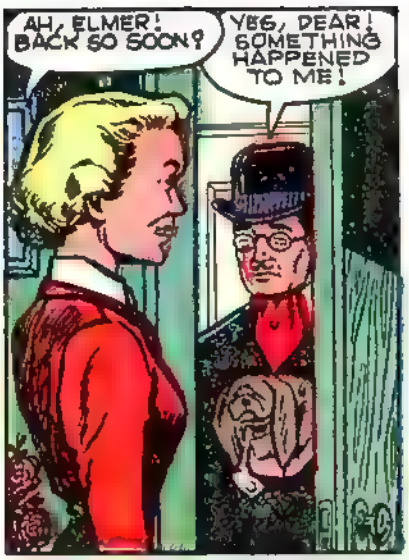
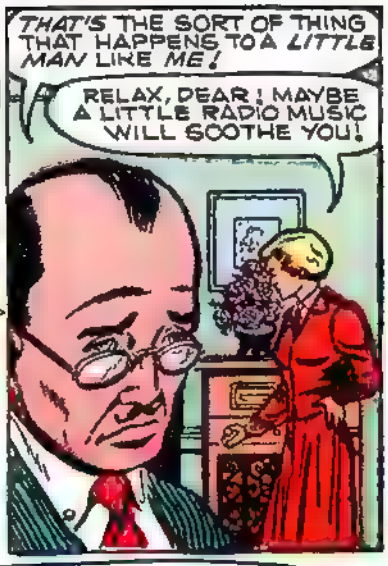
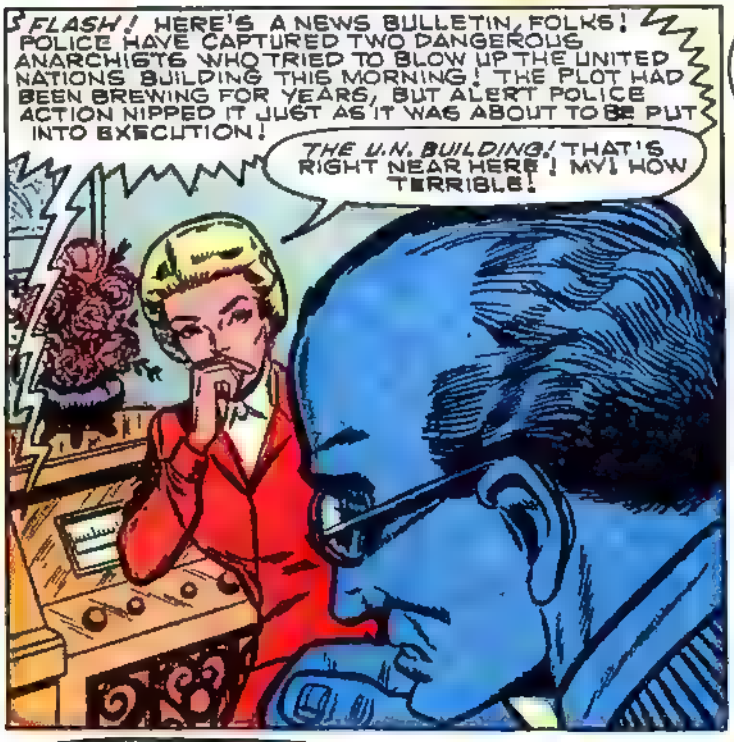


IT DID?
YES! I TRIPPED TWO GENTLEMEN WALKING INNOCENTLY IN THE STREET, AND I RAN AWAY FROM A POLICEMAN WHO WANTED TO LOOK AT SPANKY'S LICENSE!




FLASH! HERE'S A NEWS BULLETIN, FOLKS! POLICE HAVE CAPTURED TWO DANGEROUS ANARCHISTS WHO TRIED TO BLOW UP THE UNITED NATIONS BUILDING THIS MORNING! THE PLOT HAD BEEN BREWING FOR YEARS, BUT ALERT POLICE ACTION NIPPED IT JUST AS IT WAS ABOUT TO BE PUT INTO EXECUTION!
THE U.N. BUILDING! THAT'S RIGHT NEAR HERE! MY! HOW TERRIBLE!

YOU SEE THE SORT OF LUCK I HAVE? I WAS NEAR THE U.N. BUILDING! WHY COULDN'T I HAVE HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH CAPTURING THEM? BUT I DIDN'T NOTICE A THING!

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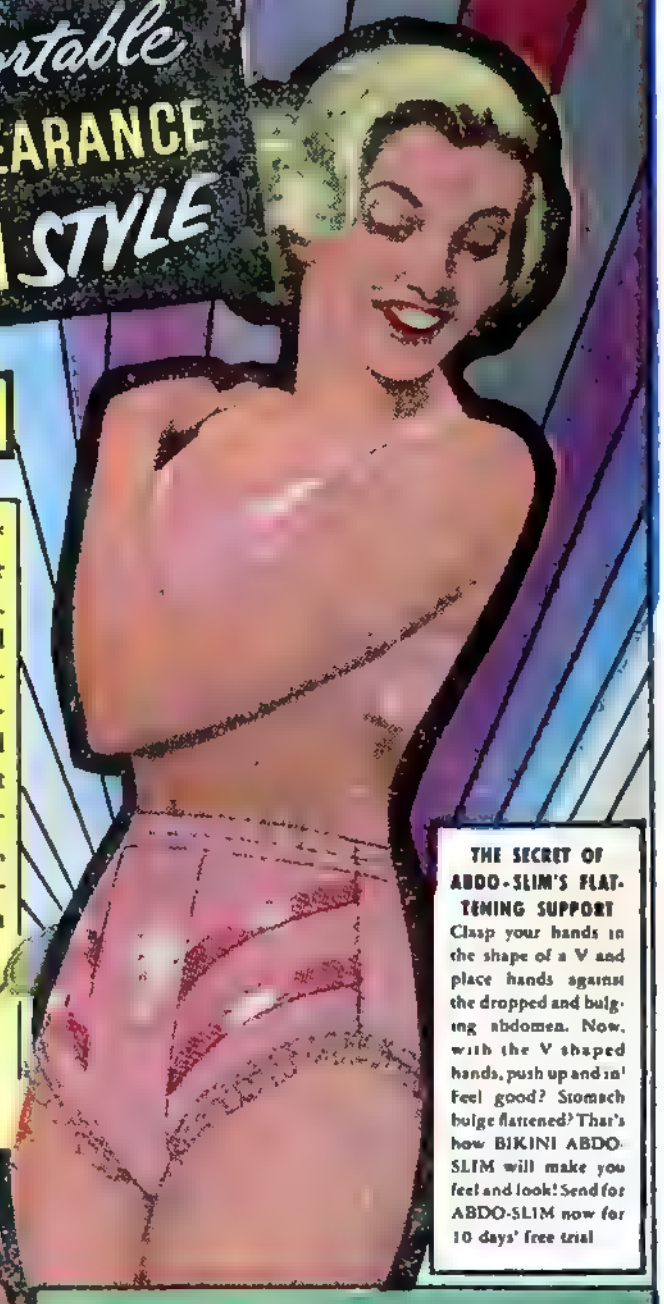

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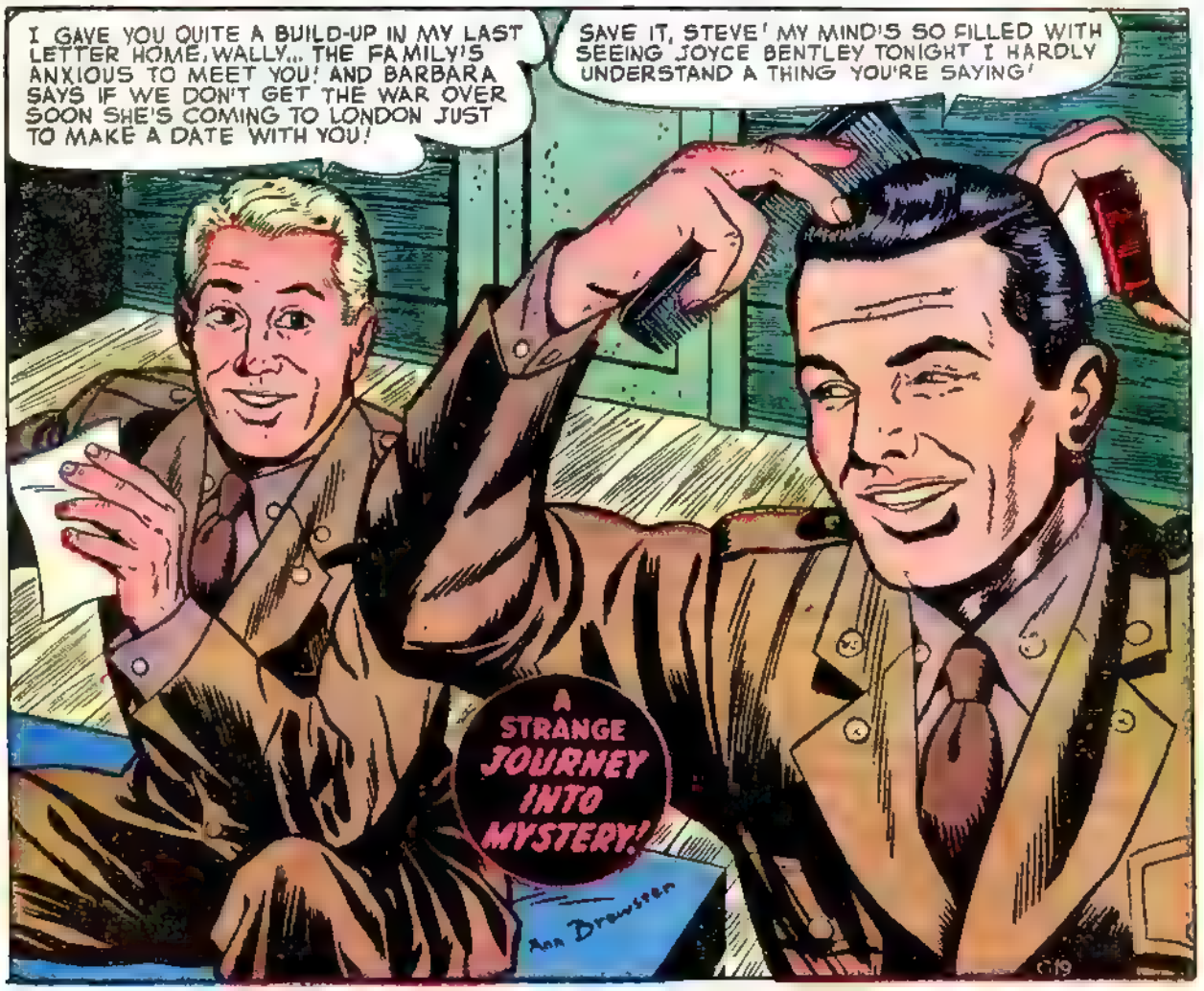
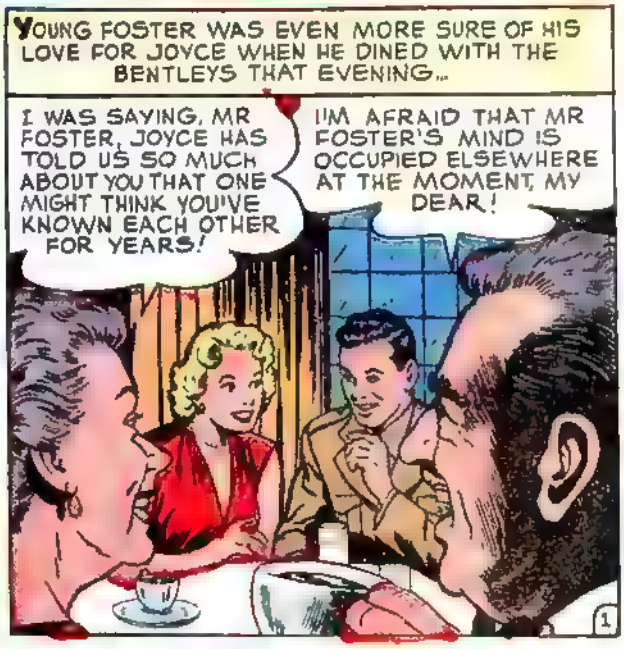

I GAVE YOU QUITE A BUILD-UP IN MY LAST LETTER HOME, WALLY... THE FAMILY'S ANXIOUS TO MEET YOU! AND BARBARA SAYS IF WE DON'T GET THE WAR OVER SOON SHE'S COMING TO LONDON JUST TO MAKE A DATE WITH YOU!
SAVE IT, STEVE! MY MIND'S SO FILLED WITH SEEING JOYCE BENTLEY TONIGHT I HARDLY UNDERSTAND A THING YOU'RE SAYING!
A STRANGE JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY!
Ann Brewster

SURELY YOU'RE NOT SERIOUS ABOUT A GIRL YOU JUST MET AND SPOKE TO FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS DURING AN AIR RAID!
I'M IN LOVE WITH JOYCE BENTLEY! THERE'LL NEVER BE ANOTHER GIRL FOR ME!


YOUNG FOSTER WAS EVEN MORE SURE OF HIS LOVE FOR JOYCE WHEN HE DINED WITH THE BENTLEYS THAT EVENING...
I WAS SAYING, MR FOSTER, JOYCE HAS TOLD US SO MUCH ABOUT YOU THAT ONE MIGHT THINK YOU'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR YEARS!
I'M AFRAID THAT MR FOSTER'S MIND IS OCCUPIED ELSEWHERE AT THE MOMENT, MY DEAR!
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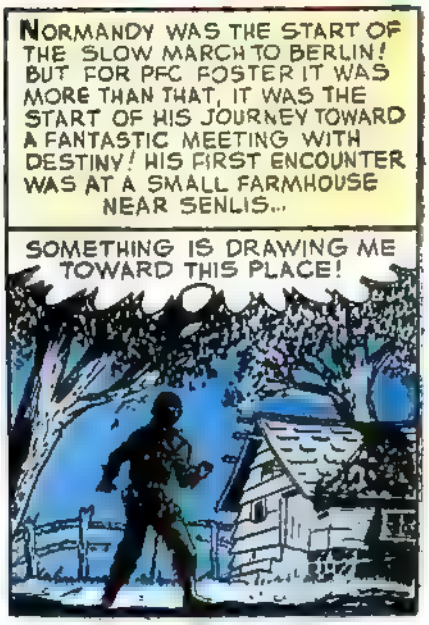
I SAY, JOYCE, WHY DON'T YOU SHOW YOUR YOUNG MAN ABOUT THE GROUNDS? IT'S A LOVELY EVENING, AND I'M SURE YOU CAN FIND THINGS TO TALK ABOUT!

I'VE BEEN THINKING OF WHAT YOUR MOTHER SAID BEFORE ABOUT KNOWING EACH OTHER FOR YEARS! I FEEL AS THOUGH IT'S BEEN THAT LONG, AND YET IT'S BEEN JUST A FEW HOURS! JOYCE, MAYBE I'VE NO RIGHT TO SAY THIS...
IF YOU DON'T SAY IT, DARLING, I'LL HAVE TO SAY IT FOR YOU!

I LOVE YOU, JOYCE! I WANT YOU TO WAIT FOR ME TILL THIS IS OVER!
I LOVE YOU TOO, WALLY! I'LL WAIT!

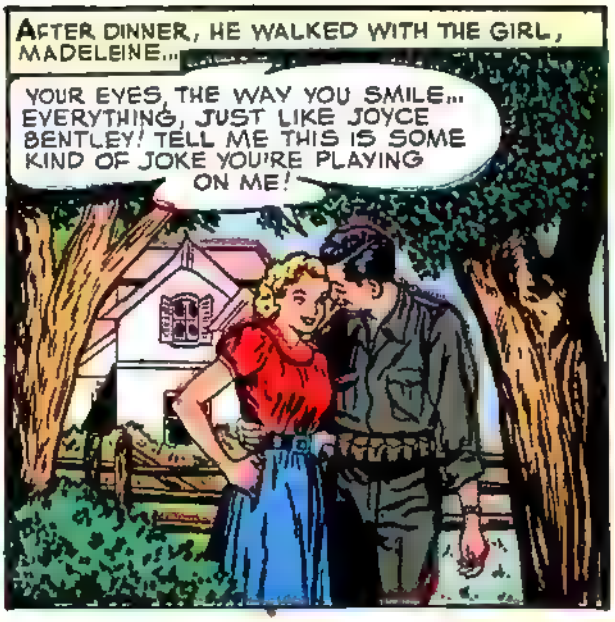
WALLY FOSTER DID NOT SEE JOYCE AFTER THAT NIGHT, FOR THE NEXT MORNING...
COME ON, WALLY, THIS IS D-DAY! WAR WON'T WAIT FOR LOVE!
IF I COULD SEE HER JUST ONCE MORE, STEVE, JUST ONCE!


NORMANDY WAS THE START OF THE SLOW MARCH TO BERLIN! BUT FOR PFC FOSTER IT WAS MORE THAN THAT, IT WAS THE START OF HIS JOURNEY TOWARD A FANTASTIC MEETING WITH DESTINY! HIS FIRST ENCOUNTER WAS AT A SMALL FARMHOUSE NEAR SENLIS...
SOMETHING IS DRAWING ME TOWARD THIS PLACE!

HE KNOCKED, AND HEARD A FAMILAR "ENTREZ!" HE WENT IN, THEN...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

JOYCE... MR AND MRS. BENTLEY!
BIENVENU, AMERICAIN!

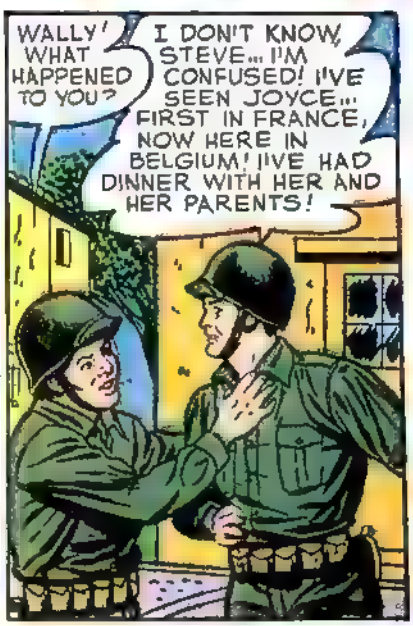
THEY SPOKE NO ENGLISH, THESE KINDLY FRENCH FOLK, BUT THEY MADE FOSTER UNDERSTAND THAT HE WAS TO SHARE THEIR DINNER...
I CAN'T FIGURE IT! SHE'S GOT TO BE JOYCE, BUT SHE ISN'T! I'VE SEEN TWO PEOPLE LOOK ALIKE... BUT A WHOLE FAMILY...


AFTER DINNER, HE WALKED WITH THE GIRL, MADELEINE...
YOUR EYES, THE WAY YOU SMILE... EVERYTHING, JUST LIKE JOYCE BENTLEY! TELL ME THIS IS SOME KIND OF JOKE YOU'RE PLAYING ON ME!

THAN THE WAR MOVED ON, AND WALLY FOSTER MOVED WITH IT, LEAVING BEHIND THE MYSTERY OF MADELEINE AND HER FAMILY! THERE WAS THE TOWN IN BELGIUM... TILBURG...
WALLY, COME BACK HERE!
JOYCE!

SHE WENT IN HERE! JOYCE!
ALLO, YANKEE!

IT WAS THE SAME IN BELGIUM AS IT WAS IN FRANCE... THE GIRL, THE FAMILY DINNER, THE WARM, SMILING WELCOME IN A STRANGE LANGUAGE...
JOYCE, WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO ME? I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THIS!


WALLY! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
I DON'T KNOW, STEVE... I'M CONFUSED! I'VE SEEN JOYCE... FIRST IN FRANCE, NOW HERE IN BELGIUM! I'VE HAD DINNER WITH HER AND HER PARENTS!

JUST CHARGE IT UP TO NERVES, MY FRIEND! YOU'VE HAD JOYCE ON YOUR MIND TOO MUCH... NOW LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT MY SISTER BARBARA!
NO, STEVE, I WASN'T IMAGINING THINGS! I TELL YOU I SAW HER! I HAD DINNER WITH JOYCE AND HER FATHER AND MOTHER... AND YET IT WASN'T JOYCE!
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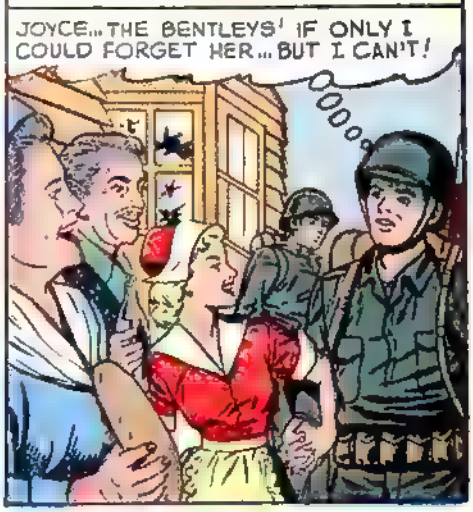
THEY MOVED ON INTO THE NETHERLANDS! WALLY FOSTER BROUGHT WITH HIM THE MEMORIES OF A GIRL, A MAN AND A WOMAN...

HIS BEST FRIEND, STEVE BROOKS, WORRIED A GOOD DEAL ABOUT HIM...

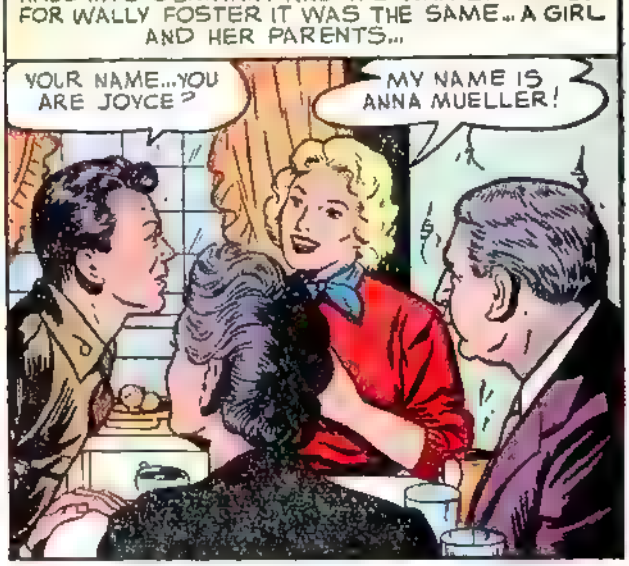
AGAIN THERE WAS THE GIRL, THE LANGUAGE HE COULDN'T SPEAK... AND THE SMILING PARENTS WELCOMING THE G I.!



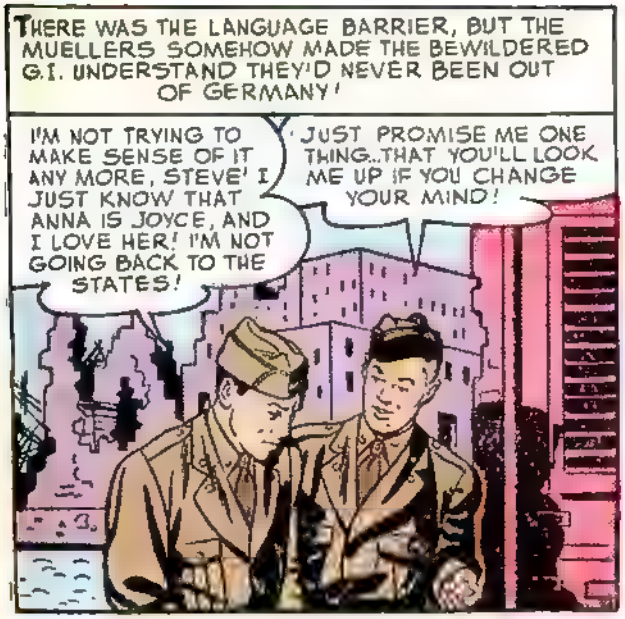
SUDDENLY, STRONG HANDS REACHED FROM THE THRONG AND GRABBED FOSTER...

STEVE, COME MEET THEM... YOU'LL SEE THEY'RE THE SAME!
I HAVE NO INTENTION CHASING AFTER A HALLUCINATION WITH YOU! BESIDES, I'VE NEVER SEEN YOUR JOYCE OR HER PARENTS SO I CAN HARDLY MAKE A COMPARISON!

AFTER HOLLAND THERE WAS THE LAST LONG HALL INTO GERMANY AND THE WAR ENDED! BUT FOR WALLY FOSTER IT WAS THE SAME... A GIRL AND HER PARENTS...

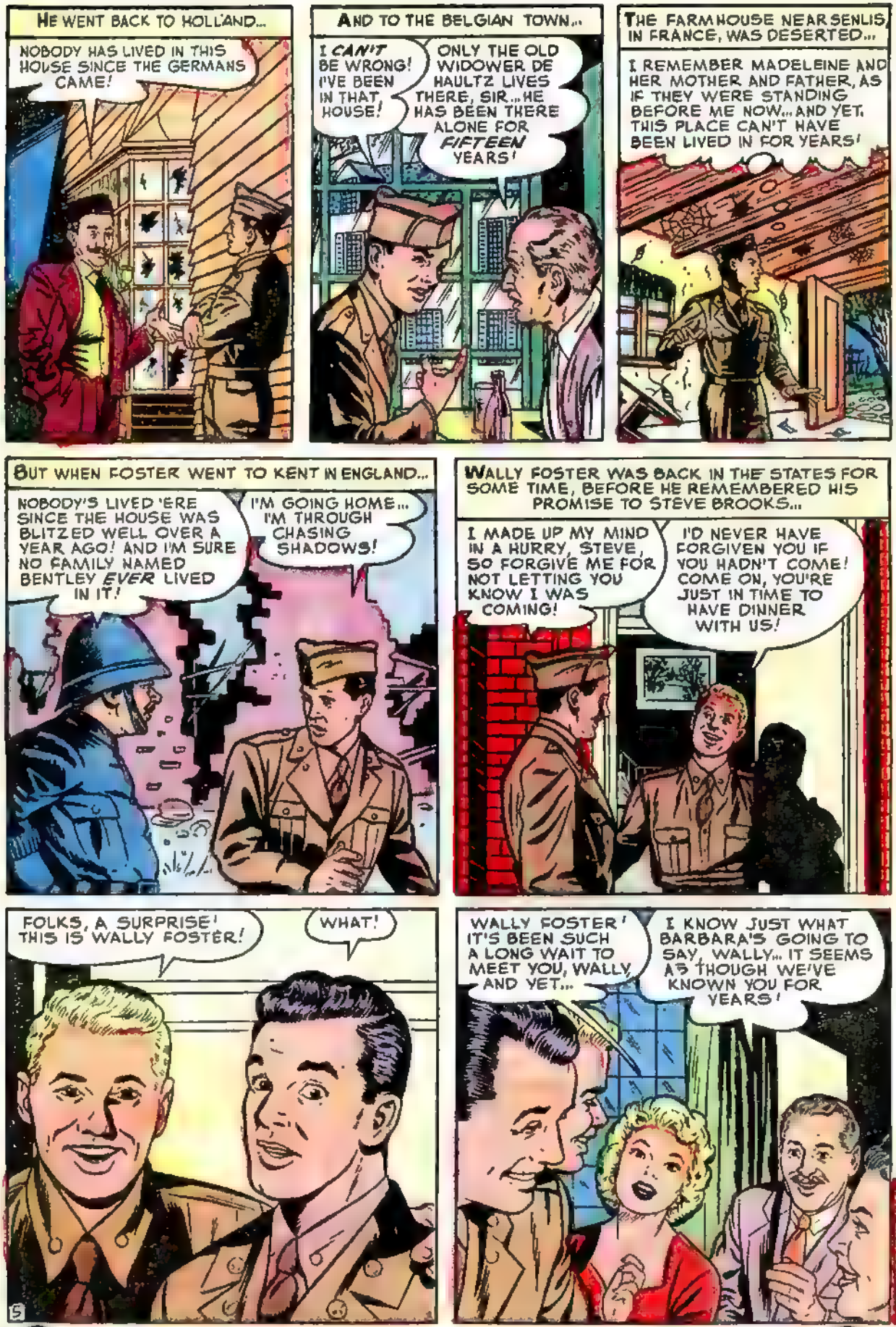


THERE WAS THE LANGUAGE BARRIER, BUT THE MUELLERS SOMEHOW MADE THE BEWILDERED G.I. UNDERSTAND THEY'D NEVER BEEN OUT OF GERMANY!


I'M NOT TRYING TO MAKE SENSE OF IT ANY MORE, STEVE! I JUST KNOW THAT ANNA IS JOYCE, AND I LOVE HER! I'M NOT GOING BACK TO THE STATES!
JUST PROMISE ME ONE THING... THAT YOU'LL LOOK ME UP IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND!

WHEN THE TIME CAME, STEVE BROOKS WAS GONE, BUT WALLY FOSTER STAYED AND HE RETURNED TO THE TOWN WHERE HE'D BEEN WITH THE MUELLERS...

BUT I HAD DINNER WITH THEM JUST A FEW MONTHS AGO! I WROTE DOWN THEIR ADDRESS IN MY BOOK!
YOU MUST HAVE THE WRONG TOWN! NO FAMILY NAMED MUELLER EVER LIVED HERE!


HE WENT BACK TO HOLLAND...
NOBODY HAS LIVED IN THIS HOUSE SINCE THE GERMANS CAME!
AND TO THE BELGIAN TOWN...
I CAN'T BE WRONG! I'VE BEEN IN THAT HOUSE!
ONLY THE OLD WIDOWER DE HAULTZ LIVES THERE, SIR...HE HAS BEEN THERE ALONE FOR FIFTEEN YEARS!
THE FARMHOUSE NEAR SENLIS, IN FRANCE, WAS DESERTED...
I REMEMBER MADELEINE AND HER MOTHER AND FATHER, AS IF THEY WERE STANDING BEFORE ME NOW...AND YET, THIS PLACE CAN'T HAVE BEEN LIVED IN FOR YEARS!
BUT WHEN FOSTER WENT TO KENT IN ENGLAND...
NOBODY'S LIVED 'ERE SINCE THE HOUSE WAS BLITZED WELL OVER A YEAR AGO! AND I'M SURE NO FAMILY NAMED BENTLEY EVER LIVED IN IT!
I'M GOING HOME... I'M THROUGH CHASING SHADOWS!
WALLY FOSTER WAS BACK IN THE STATES FOR SOME TIME, BEFORE HE REMEMBERED HIS PROMISE TO STEVE BROOKS...
I MADE UP MY MIND IN A HURRY, STEVE, SO FORGIVE ME FOR NOT LETTING YOU KNOW I WAS COMING!
I'D NEVER HAVE FORGIVEN YOU IF YOU HADN'T COME! COME ON, YOU'RE JUST IN TIME TO HAVE DINNER WITH US!
FOLKS, A SURPRISE! THIS IS WALLY FOSTER!
WHAT!
WALLY FOSTER! IT'S BEEN SUCH A LONG WAIT TO MEET YOU, WALLY AND YET...
I KNOW JUST WHAT BARBARA'S GOING TO SAY, WALLY... IT SEEMS AS THOUGH WE'VE KNOWN YOU FOR YEARS!
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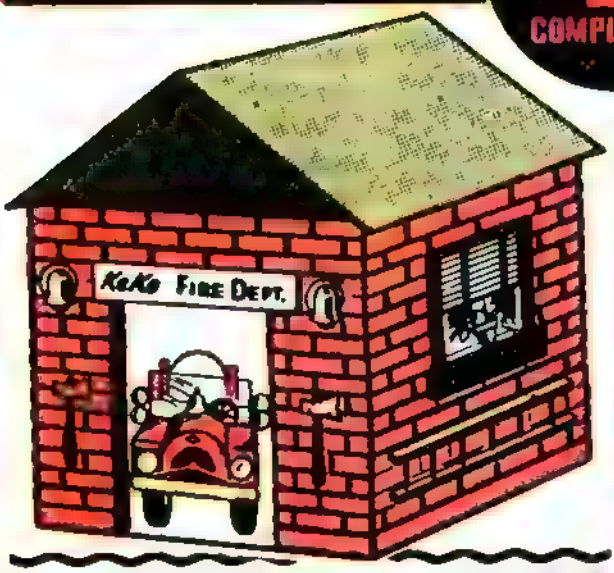

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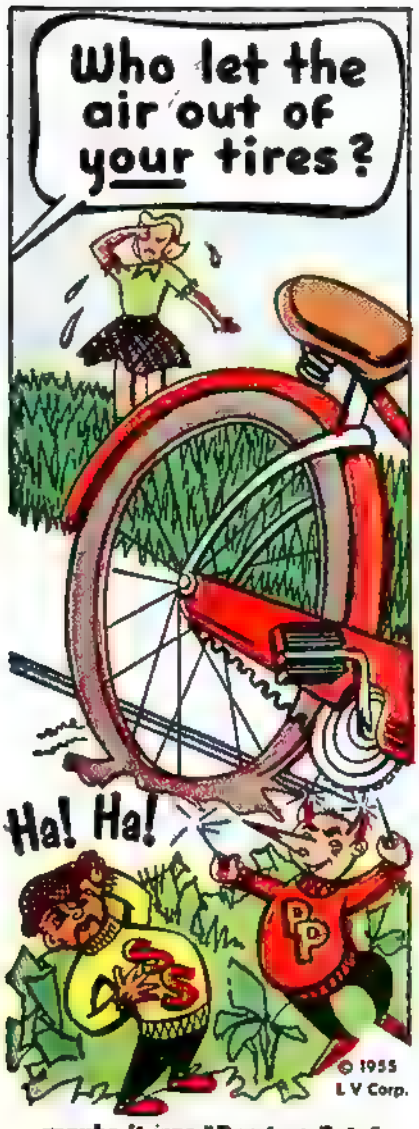

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Being so lost in his thoughts, Gerald didn't realize that his steps were taking him down by the ocean. He wandered down the long pier, still thinking and puzzling. Finally, he snapped his fingers and the solution came to his mind.

"It's a wishing machine, isn't it?" he thought. "All I have to do is concentrate and *wish* it beside me right now." He stopped at the end of the pier, leaned against the railing and looked down deep into the water. "I wish," he said distinctly, "that my wishing machine were right here in front of me now."

In one second, he realized what he had done. He tried desperately to cancel the wish, but it was too late. All Gerald Harper could see was his black suitcase, his plans and blueprints, his notes for over twenty years, and his wishing machine plunging down into the cold depths of the ocean. Just a few bubbles were all that was left in the racing surf.

When Mr. Gordon came home from work, he glanced at his wife and son sitting in the living room disconsolately and said, "What's up?"

"Sam, we've got a wishing machine," his wife told him quickly.

"That's right, Dad," Jimmy agreed. "It's right in the closet and it gave us a new refrigerator, and . . ."

"Hold on," his father advised. He went to the closet where they pointed and opened the door. The closet was empty.

"But," Jimmy declared emphatically, "it *was* there!"

The three of them went into the kitchen. "Well, at least the new refrigerator is here," Mrs. Gordon said, relieved. "Wait till you see it."

"But it doesn't work," her husband said, after examining it. "Look, the indicator points to 'on' but the motor isn't running." He bent down and unhooked the metal shield which covered the motor of the refrigerator. "Well, will you look at this!" he said.

As his family gathered around to see what was wrong, Mr. Gordon announced, "All the works are plugged up with some sort of grime, and the moving parts are all wet." He ran his finger over one of the wheels in the motor, and then carefully touched his tongue to it. He licked his lips for a minute, then he said, "This refrigerator is ruined. This is salt water in the motor."

"But, how . . ." Mrs. Gordon breathed. "It was running this afternoon."

"And where's the wishing machine?" Jimmy questioned hopelessly.

"I don't know anything about wishing machines," Mr. Gordon said sternly, "but I do know that we're going to have to get a new refrigerator and food in this house. And if you ask me," he shouted as he left the kitchen, "the less people have to do with wishing machines . . . the better!"

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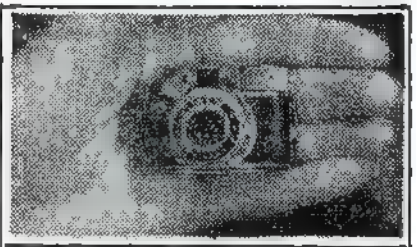

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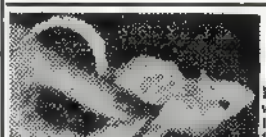

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WE COULD BE HAPPY, TOO, IF ONLY THE TOWN HALL LOOKED MORE PRESENTABLE FOR GOVERNOR TALBOT'S VISIT NEXT WEEK! BUT THERE'S NO MONEY IN THE TOWN TREASURY TO HAVE THE BUILDING PAINTED!
AS IF WE DIDN'T KNOW THAT, ALDERMAN EVANS!
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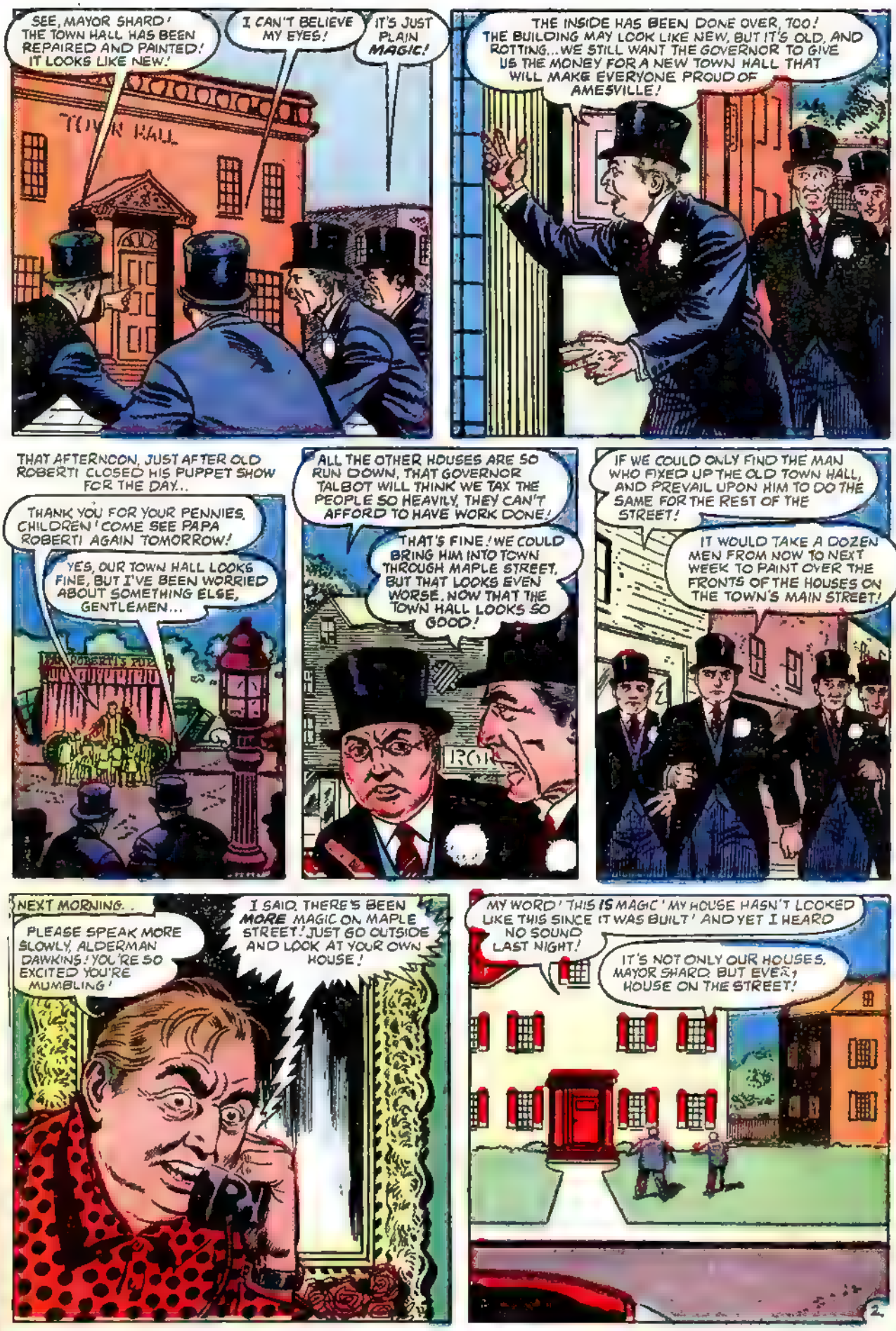
WHEN THE GOVERNOR SEES THAT UGLY TOWN HALL OF OURS, HE'LL SAY WE CAN'T HAVE THE MONEY FOR A NEW TOWN HALL, BECAUSE WE'VE TAKEN SUCH POOR CARE OF THE OLD ONE!
IT'S THE UGLIEST BUILDING ON MAPLE STREET... I'M ASHAMED FOR THE GOVERNOR TO SEE IT!

BUT THE ALDERMEN WERE IN A DIFFERENT MOOD NEXT MORNING, WHEN THEY WOKE MAYOR SHARD OUT OF A SOUND SLEEP..


SEE, MAYOR SHARD! THE TOWN HALL HAS BEEN REPAIRED AND PAINTED! IT LOOKS LIKE NEW!
I CAN'T BELIEVE MY EYES!
IT'S JUST PLAIN MAGIC!
TOWN HALL
THE INSIDE HAS BEEN DONE OVER, TOO! THE BUILDING MAY LOOK LIKE NEW, BUT IT'S OLD, AND ROTTING... WE STILL WANT THE GOVERNOR TO GIVE US THE MONEY FOR A NEW TOWN HALL THAT WILL MAKE EVERYONE PROUD OF AMESVILLE!
THAT AFTERNOON, JUST AFTER OLD ROBERTI CLOSED HIS PUPPET SHOW FOR THE DAY...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PENNIES, CHILDREN! COME SEE PAPA ROBERTI AGAIN TOMORROW!
YES, OUR TOWN HALL LOOKS FINE, BUT I'VE BEEN WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE, GENTLEMEN...
ROBERTI'S PUP
ALL THE OTHER HOUSES ARE SO RUN DOWN, THAT GOVERNOR TALBOT WILL THINK WE TAX THE PEOPLE SO HEAVILY, THEY CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE WORK DONE!
THAT'S FINE! WE COULD BRING HIM INTO TOWN THROUGH MAPLE STREET, BUT THAT LOOKS EVEN WORSE. NOW THAT THE TOWN HALL LOOKS SO GOOD!
IF WE COULD ONLY FIND THE MAN WHO FIXED UP THE OLD TOWN HALL, AND PREVAIL UPON HIM TO DO THE SAME FOR THE REST OF THE STREET!
IT WOULD TAKE A DOZEN MEN FROM NOW TO NEXT WEEK TO PAINT OVER THE FRONTS OF THE HOUSES ON THE TOWN'S MAIN STREET!
NEXT MORNING...
PLEASE SPEAK MORE SLOWLY, ALDERMAN DAWKINS! YOU'RE SO EXCITED YOU'RE MUMBLING!
I SAID, THERE'S BEEN MORE MAGIC ON MAPLE STREET! JUST GO OUTSIDE AND LOOK AT YOUR OWN HOUSE!
MY WORD! THIS IS MAGIC! MY HOUSE HASN'T LOOKED LIKE THIS SINCE IT WAS BUILT! AND YET I HEARD NO SOUND LAST NIGHT!
IT'S NOT ONLY OUR HOUSES, MAYOR SHARD. BUT EVERY HOUSE ON THE STREET!
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IN THE AFTERNOON, THE MAYOR CALLED A MEETING IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF THE TOWN HALL
ALDERMEN OF AMESVILLE I'VE BEEN THINKING WE CALL OUR FINEST AVENUE MAPLE STREET AND YET THERE'S NOT ONE SINGLE MAPLE TREE ON IT!
OR ANY OTHER TREE, FOR THAT MATTER! BUT WE STILL HAVE NO MONEY!
MONEY BAH! HAVEN'T YOU NOTICED THAT WHEN WE STAND IN THE SQUARE AND COMPLAIN ABOUT SOMETHING, SOMETHING HAPPENS OVERNIGHT? PERHAPS THE CHILDREN HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT
I'M GOING OUT THERE AND SPEAK ALOUD OF OUR POOR NEGLECTED TREELESS MAPLE STREET!
I'LL AGREE TO THAT, THOUGH I STILL SAY IT'S MAGIC! ANYHOW, I DON'T CARE HOW IT HAPPENS JUST AS LONG AS THINGS GET DONE!
MAYOR SHARD AND THE THREE ALDERMEN WENT OUT TO THE SQUARE, WHERE PAPA ROBERT'S PUPPETS WERE PERFORMING FOR THE LAUGHING APPLAUDING CHILDREN..
YOU'LL HAVE TO TALK LOUDER, MAYOR!
I REPEAT MAPLE STREET IS BADLY IN NEED OF MAPLE TREES AND FINE SHRUBBERY.. BUT WE HAVEN'T THE MONEY TO PAY FOR SUCH THINGS!
PAPA ROBERTI'S PUP
DO YOU THINK THEY HEARD?
WE'LL KNOW IN THE MORNING! BESIDES, I DON'T THINK THE CHILDREN HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT! I BELIEVE IT'S JUST MAGIC!
SURE ENOUGH, THE FOLLOWING MORNING
TREES, SHRUBS! NEVER HAS AMESVILLE LOOKED SO BEAUTIFUL!
NOW BRING ON THE GOVERNOR! LET HIM SEE THAT WE'RE A COMMUNITY DESERVING OF THE FINEST TOWN HALL IN THE STATE!
IN THE EXCITEMENT, I'VE FORGOTTEN THAT GOVERNOR TALBOT IS DUE HERE TOMORROW! WE'D BETTER TAKE ONE LAST LOOK AROUND AND MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS TAKEN CARE OF!
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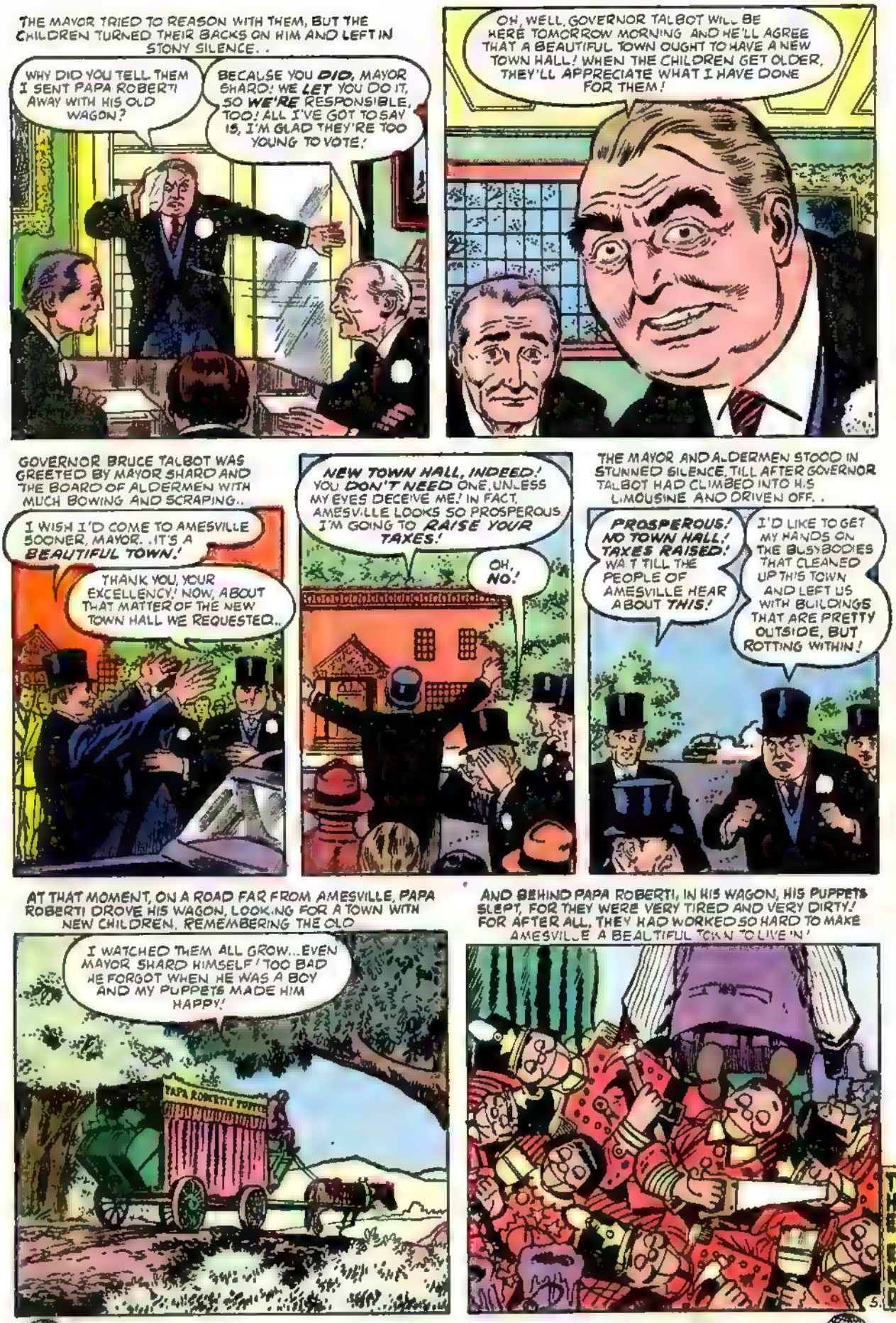
MAYOR SHARD AND THE ALDERMEN WENT TO THE TOWN SQUARE...
THERE'S JUST ONE TH NG LEFT IN AMESVILLE TO MAR THE BEAUTY OF THE TOWN.. THAT OLD PUPPET SHOW WAGON! IT'S GOT TO GO!
I'D GO EASY THERE, MAYOR! THE CHILDREN LOVE PAPA ROBERTI AND HIS PUPPETS! IT MIGHT BE A BAD MOVE TO UPSET THE YOUNGSTERS!
PAPA ROBERTI'S PUPPETS
YOU SAID THE CHILDREN MIGHT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WONDERFUL IMPROVEMENTS IN AMESVILLE! IF WE GET THEM UPSET, THEY MIGHT...
WHO'S RUNNING THIS TOWN... WE OR THE KIDS? BESIDES, WE'VE GOT EVERYTHING WE NEED TO IMPRESS THE GOVERNOR!
THAT WAGON OF YOURS, THAT OLD HORSE... YOU'LL HAVE TO GET OUT OF AMESVILLE, ROBERTI!
BUT THE CHILDREN, YOUR HONOR... WHAT WILL THEY SAY? THEY LOVE MY LITTLE PUPPET SHOW!
THERE'S NO USE ARGUING WITH ME, ROBERTI! GET OUT OF AMESVILLE AT ONCE, AND DON'T COME BACK! YOU HEAR ME?
YES, SIR... I HEAR..
THERE, THAT'S DONE! NOW THERE'S NOTHING LEFT IN TOWN TO DISPLEASE HIS EXCELLENCY!
I DON'T LIKE IT, MR. MAYOR! WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A HARD TIME EXPLAINING TO THE CHILDREN!
THAT AFTERNOON, THE CHILDREN OF AMESVILLE STORMED INTO MAYOR SHARD'S OFFICE...
I SUGGEST YOU DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN!
WE'VE ALREADY SEEN THEM! THEY TOLD US YOU SENT PAPA ROBERTI AWAY, AND TOLD HIM NEVER TO COME BACK!
GIANT
BUT I ONLY DID IT FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWN! AFTER ALL, WHAT'S A SILLY OLD PUPPET SHOW, COMPARED WITH A NICE, NEW TOWN HALL?
PAPA ROBERTI'S PUPPETS MADE US HAPPY! WE'RE NOT HAPPY NOW... WE'RE VERY ANGRY!


THE MAYOR TRIED TO REASON WITH THEM, BUT THE CHILDREN TURNED THEIR BACKS ON HIM AND LEFT IN STONY SILENCE. .
WHY DID YOU TELL THEM I SENT PAPA ROBERTI AWAY WITH HIS OLD WAGON?
BECAUSE YOU DID, MAYOR SHARD! WE LET YOU DO IT, SO WE'RE RESPONSIBLE, TOO! ALL I'VE GOT TO SAY IS, I'M GLAD THEY'RE TOO YOUNG TO VOTE!
OH, WELL, GOVERNOR TALBOT WILL BE HERE TOMORROW MORNING AND HE'LL AGREE THAT A BEAUTIFUL TOWN OUGHT TO HAVE A NEW TOWN HALL! WHEN THE CHILDREN GET OLDER, THEY'LL APPRECIATE WHAT I HAVE DONE FOR THEM!
GOVERNOR BRUCE TALBOT WAS GREETED BY MAYOR SHARD AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN WITH MUCH BOWING AND SCRAPING..
I WISH I'D COME TO AMESVILLE SOONER, MAYOR. .IT'S A BEAUTIFUL TOWN!
THANK YOU, YOUR EXCELLENCY! NOW, ABOUT THAT MATTER OF THE NEW TOWN HALL WE REQUESTED..
NEW TOWN HALL, INDEED! YOU DON'T NEED ONE, UNLESS MY EYES DECEIVE ME! IN FACT, AMESVILLE LOOKS SO PROSPEROUS I'M GOING TO RAISE YOUR TAXES!
OH, NO!
THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN STOOD IN STUNNED SILENCE, TILL AFTER GOVERNOR TALBOT HAD CLIMBED INTO HIS LIMOUSINE AND DRIVEN OFF. .
PROSPEROUS! NO TOWN HALL! TAXES RAISED! WAIT TILL THE PEOPLE OF AMESVILLE HEAR ABOUT THIS!
I'D LIKE TO GET MY HANDS ON THE BUSYBODIES THAT CLEANED UP THIS TOWN AND LEFT US WITH BUILDINGS THAT ARE PRETTY OUTSIDE, BUT ROTTING WITHIN!
AT THAT MOMENT, ON A ROAD FAR FROM AMESVILLE, PAPA ROBERTI DROVE HIS WAGON, LOOKING FOR A TOWN WITH NEW CHILDREN. REMEMBERING THE OLD
I WATCHED THEM ALL GROW...EVEN MAYOR SHARD HIMSELF! TOO BAD HE FORGOT WHEN HE WAS A BOY AND MY PUPPETS MADE HIM HAPPY!
PAPA ROBERTI TOYS
AND BEHIND PAPA ROBERTI, IN HIS WAGON, HIS PUPPETS SLEPT, FOR THEY WERE VERY TIRED AND VERY DIRTY! FOR AFTER ALL, THEY HAD WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE AMESVILLE A BEAUTIFUL TOWN TO LIVE IN!
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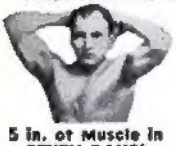

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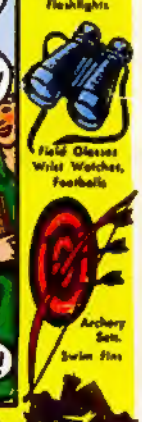

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